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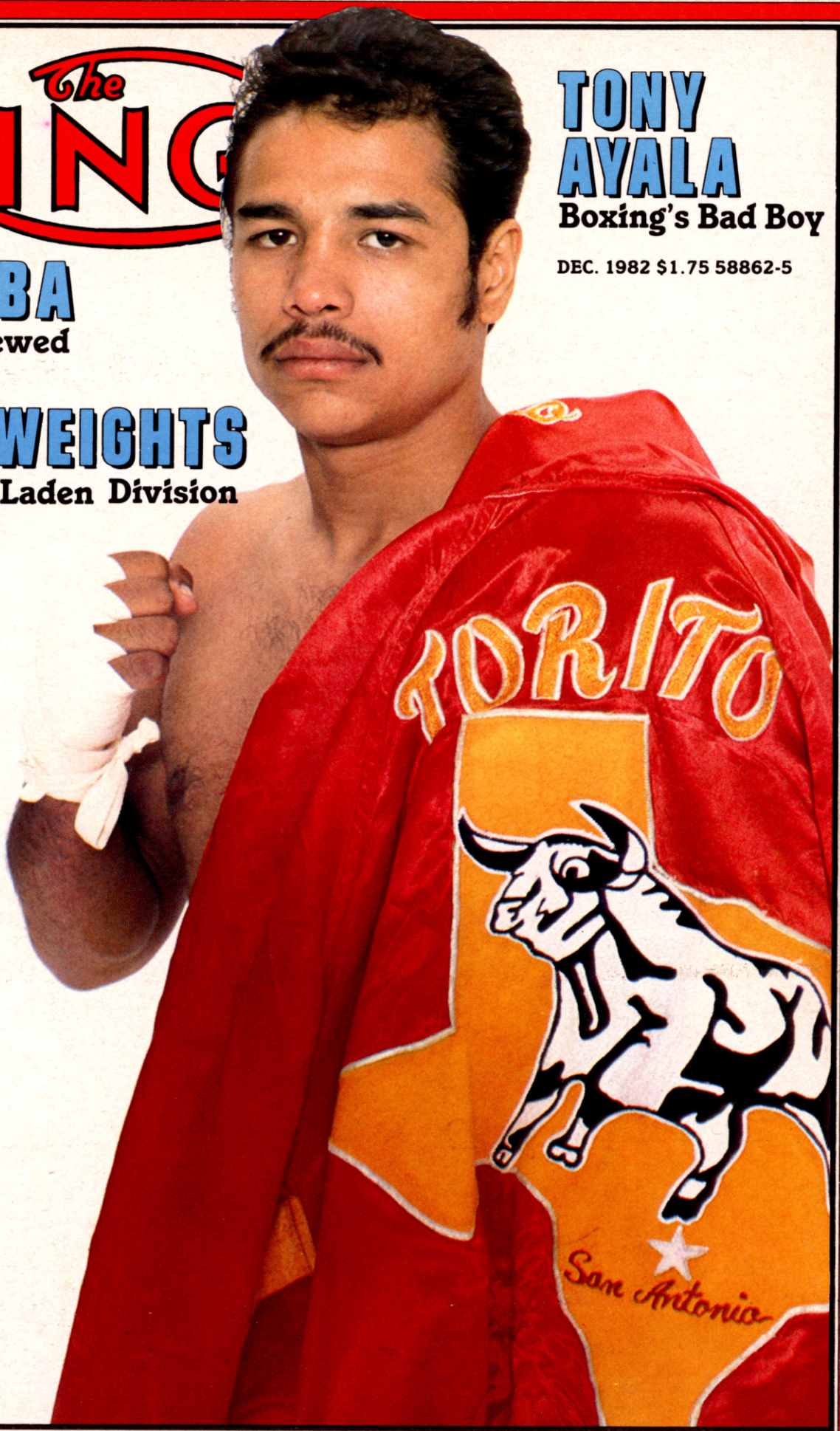

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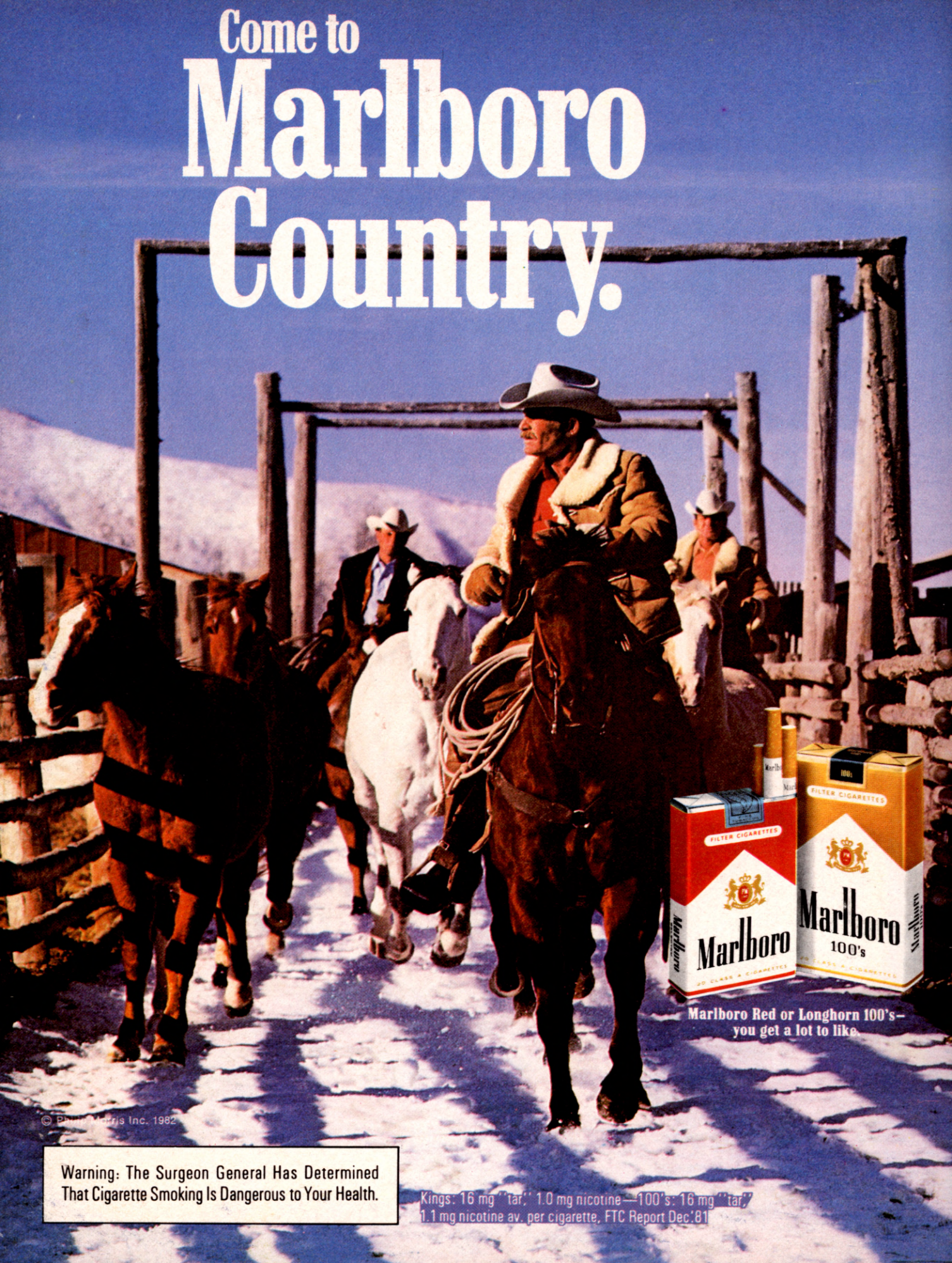

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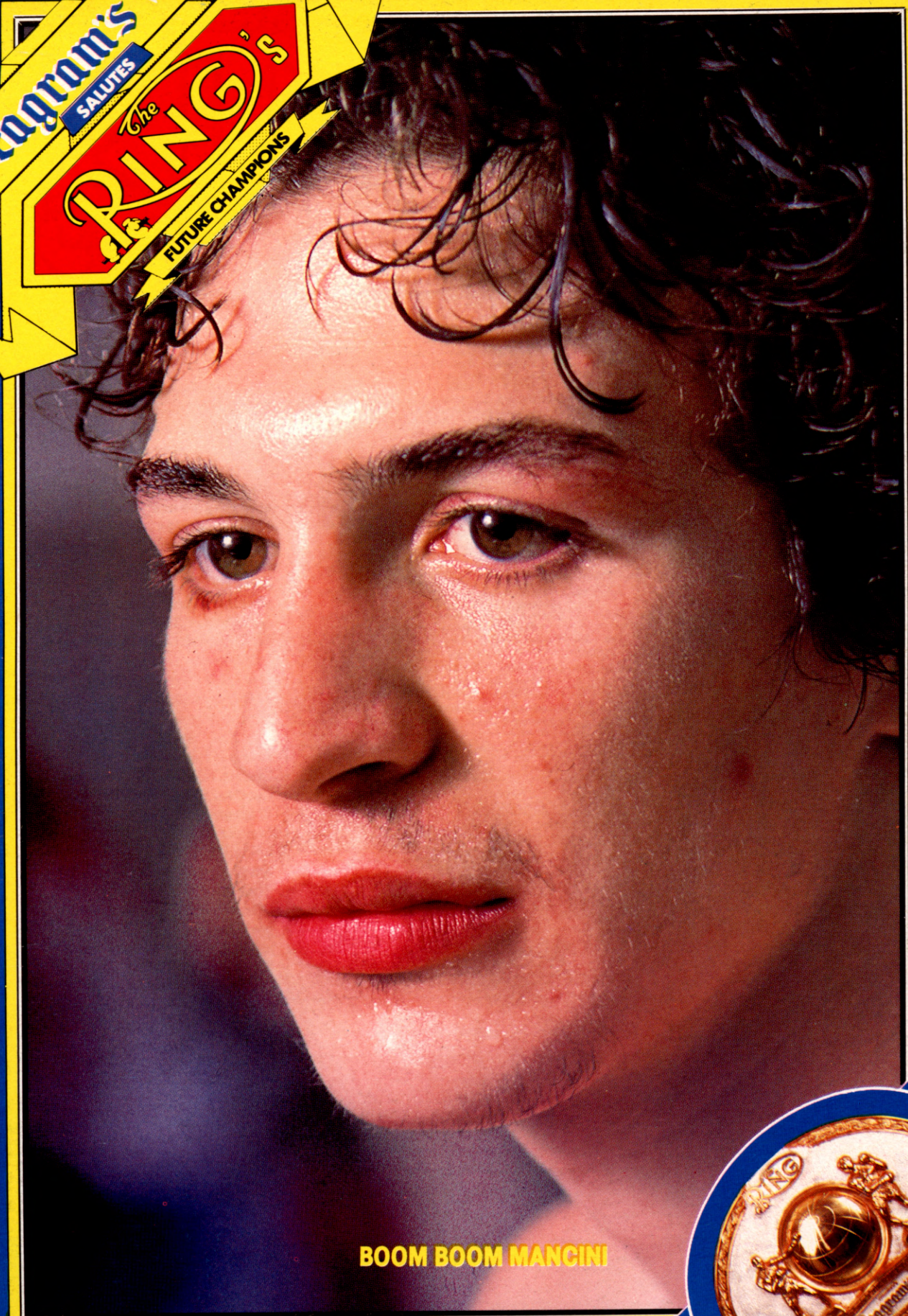

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RAY (BOOM BOOM) MANCINI

Youngstown, Ohio Lightweight
Born: March 4, 1961
Managed by David Wolf

	1979		
Oct.	18—Phil Bowen, Struthers	KO	1
Nov.	13—Lou Daniels, Phoenix	W	6
Nov.	24—Rick Patterson, Washington	KO	2
Dec.	14—Roberto Perez, Dallas	KO	1
	1980		
Jan.	15—Dale Gordon, Youngstown	KO	1
Jan.	22—Charlie Evans, Indianapolis	KO	2
Jan.	26—Ramiro Hernandez, Jackson	KO	3
Mar.	17—Tony Rutledge, Indianapolis	KO	1
Apr.	30—Bobby Sparks, Struthers	KO	1
June	18—Trevor Evelyn, Struthers	KO	2
July	23—Leon Smith, Las Vegas	KO	1
July	30—Jaime Nava, Las Vegas	W	10
Sept.	9—Johnny Summerhays, Warren	W	10
Oct.	28—Bobby Plegge, Warren	KO	6
Dec.	9—Kelvin Lampkin, Warren	KO	2
Dec.	17—Marvin Ladson, Steubenville	KO	1
	1981		
Mar.	12—Norman Goins, New York	KO	2
Apr.	2—Al Ford, Chicago	W	10
May	16—Jorge Morales, New York (Won NABF Lightweight Title)	KO	9
July	19—Jose Luis Ramirez, Warren (Retained NABF Lightweight Title)	W	12
Oct.	3—Alexis Arguello, Atlantic City (For WBC Lightweight Title)	KO by	14
Dec.	26—Manuel Abedoy, Atlantic City	KO	2
	1982		
Jan.	23—Julio Valdez, Atlantic City	KO	1
May	8—Art Frias, Las Vegas (Won WBA Lightweight Title)	KO	1
July	24—Ernesto Espana, Warren (Retained WBA Lightweight Title)	KO	6

Born: March 4, 1961, in Youngstown, Ohio. . . Height: 5″6½½. . Amateur record: 43-7, 23 KO's. "Discovered" by trainer Murphy Griffith in 1979 at National Golden Gloves in Indianapolis. . . Turned pro shortly thereafter with Griffith as trainer and Dave Wolf as manager. . . Won his first 20 bouts, 15 by kayo, including NABF lightweight title. . . After a 12-round defense of his NABF crown over tough Mexican Jose Luis Ramirez, Ray signed an October 3, 1981 contract to meet Alexis Arguello for WBC Lightweight title. Mancini was stopped in the 14th round of one of 1981's best bouts. . . "Boom Boom" controlled the early going, but couldn't land the multipunch combos that have become his trademark, letting a hurt Arguello off the hook on several occasions. . . Learned the hard way how to stop a hurt opponent when he was knocked down for the first time in his career in the 14th. Arguello, who had lost his first title fight, promised that Mancini would be back. . . Ray closed out 1981 with an easy second-round kayo of veteran Manuel Abedoy in December. . . First 1982 bout was a 10th-round stoppage of slick veteran Julio "Diablito" Valdez on January 23rd. . . Valdez gave Ray all he could handle for nine rounds, but "Boom Boom" didn't let his man off the hook this time, stopping a hurt Valdez with a vicious combination in the 10th. . . Signed for a May 8th title shot against WBA champ Art Frias. . . In one of the shortest—and most exciting — lightweight title fights ever, Ray threw 34 punches in 22 seconds to stop Frias late in the 1st round, after being jarred early by countering shots. . . At 22, Ray had "finally" won the title his father never had. . . "Boom Boom" defended for the first time on July 24 in Warren, Ohio, stopping former champ Ernesto Espana in the sixth round, another tough fight. . . Has apparently given the WBA version of the title some stability, and is looking to unify the crown with a rematch against Arguello or his successor, should he vacate the crown. . . Is a pressure-type fighter with power in both hands, solid chin, and uses his average foot speed to effectively cut off the ring. Was an honor student Overall record: 24-1, 19 KO's.

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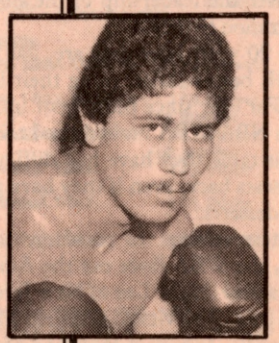

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THOSE WHO MARVEL AT THE WIZARDRY of those numbnuts called businessmen are wont to tell the story of the enterprising consultant who, back in those antediluvian days of air travel, suggested to one of the then fledgling lines they permit wives of airborne businessmen to accompany their husbands free. Just to prove the trustworthiness of flying; or so the reasoning went.

The idea, after it was run up the flagpole and saluted, was quickly implemented and a record kept of those who had accepted the sporting proposition. A few years went by, and the airline, anxious to follow up on what they thought was the residual goodwill they had built, sent a letter to the wives, asking them how they had enjoyed their free trip. More than half the responses came back with the puzzled reply, "WHAT free airplane trip?"

That same adherence to the underlying philosophy of "Damn-the-speed, full-torpedoes-ahead"—or something akin to what General Custer must have said at Little Big Horn—undoubtedly propelled executives at GE to offer any and all employees stock for any babies born on the 75th Anniversary of the company, nine months to the day of the announcement, a move which cost the company $71,000 in stock for those who had an inkling in their heart and a glimmer in their eye. And must have been behind the reasoning of the American-based National Boxing Association, which, upon the occasion of their annual meeting in Las Vegas in July of 1963 determined to change the name of the organization to the WORLD Boxing Association. And to not only include Latins in their hierarchy, but to turn over the leadership of the floundering organization to them.

Now, some 20 years later they are, like the airline and GE before them, ruing their lack of foresight. For ever since those poor unfortunates of the NBA-WBA invited the Latinos to sup at their table they have had difficulty getting their seats back, even if they have gotten their just desserts.

In their latest attempt to reassume their rightful seats, the WBA froze out the American representative, Bobby Lee of New Jersey, by a vote of 41-32. The victor, Gilberto Mendoza of Venezuela, follows a long line of undistinguished heads, of the best organization money can buy, to wit: Rodrigo Sanchez of Panama, Elias Cordova of Panama and Mandry Galindez of Venezuela — the home country of Fulgencio Obelmejias, whom the WBA outrageously foists on us — and Marvin Hagler — for yet another middleweight title shot.

With both Nicaragua and El Salvador, two countries which have banned boxing, joining in the Latin bloc vote, it's a wonder they didn't pick Juan Valdez or Alex Ahente. But whatever they did, one thing they did not do: Let the Americans, who contribute so much to boxing, have a say in their policies. (Oh, sure, four Americans did vote for Mendoza, two of them rewarded for their efforts with offices, but aren't they just putting personal gain above principle?)

For the U.S., which now numbers at least one champion in 11 of the 12 weight divisions recognized THE RING, contributes over 75% of all television moneys to the coiffers of the banana boat group known as the WBA and is the seat of the best and most boxers in the world, has been disenfranchised again. That, in the final analysis, is what the WBA voting was all about. And for those misguided few who believe that there is any chance to recapture anything resembling a voice in the WBA for American interests, it would be a matter demanding almost as much patience as the long vigil of the Seventh Day Adventists.

What we, therefore, would like to suggest, is a National Federation of State and Local Athletic Associations. This loose confederation could achieve, through its size and power, untold concessions from those who attach themselves to the soft underbelly of boxing and run the sport from offices atop charm and beauty schools somewhere South of the Border. Hell, if everything from widget manufacturers to toilet seat dealers can have a trade association, the athletic commissions can certainly have one, both in order to exchange information, and innovations, and to form a more perfect union. For boxing and themselves.

Then, and only then, could the United States sit at the world table of boxing again. But not while they allow the WBA and its mental munchkins to run riot over their best interests. They must act. And now. Every day is one day too many to allow this to happen to this once-great boxing power.

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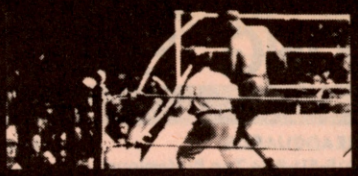

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A CHILE DAY IN HELL WHEN THE WBA DECIDES IN HIS FAVOR

DELEGATES TO THE RECENT WBA convention in San Juan found themselves "pestered" by Chilean junior lightweight Benedicto Villablanca who demanded that the WBA recognize him as world champion "merely" because on June 5 he had stopped champion Samuel Serrano in a title fight and been declared champion by the WBA-appointed referee. That ruling had been reversed, the belt going back to Serrano.

The ending of the controversial Santiago bout came as referee Jesus Cellis noted the condition of the champion, who though leading on all cards, had been badly gashed by a head butt. The Venzuelan referee proceeded to raise the hand of the challenger, much to the anger of the champion who claimed that WBA rules called for the scorecards to be totaled and a technical decision to be rendered in favor of the fighter in the lead in such circumstances. Later, the WBA voided the referee's ruling and awarded Serrano the decision, while calling for a swift, rematch. The WBA suspended referee Cellis and thought that that closed the matter.

Not for Villablanca it didn't. The Chilean responded by filing a $1 million suit against the WBA, charging that the Association had illegally taken his crown and additionally, that WBA championship committee chairman Luis Batista Salas had threatened to blacklist him from any future title fights if he didn't sign a statement agreeing to the return of the title to Serrano.

In an emotional address before the convention, Batista Salas, who is countersuing Villablanca for $10 million, urged that neither Villlablanca, nor his representative, Lucio Hernandez, be permitted to speak. The open-minded conventioners accepted Batista Salas' report on the matter and barred Villablanca and Hernandez from the floor. As for the "immediate" rematch—it seems to be a case of Orwellian Newspeak. The WBA has given its sanction to Serrano's next defense, against Ruben Munoz.

WE WONDERED WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO LAWRENCE WELK'S EXCESS BUBBLES

REMEMBER THE PUBLIC SERVICE spot of a few years back from the President's Council on Physical Fitness in which Ken Norton assured us that you didn't have to be a little girl or a "sissy" to jump rope?

You probably knew that before Norton brought up the issue. But we'll bet you never suspected that James "Hardrock" Green

plays with *soap bubbles*. Well, "plays" might not be the right word. But in training for his recent fight with Frank Fletcher, Green's physical training aide, Frank Dominiani would blow bubbles in the ring as "Hardrock," encumbered by a five-pound weight in each hand, jabbed, hooked and crossed as many bubbles as he could. "It really sharpens my timing . . . I think," maintained Green, before being battered into defeat by Fletcher.

Should this become a trend, Kiddie City may open up a fighters' section right between tricycles and rocking horses.

CHILD'S PLAY

IT'S A TRUISM THAT WOMEN WORKing at traditionally male jobs must be twice as good as their masculine counterparts to withstand the added scrutiny which they undergo. Sports journalism is an oft-cited example. Well the inane blabberings of Phylis George on CBS-TV's *NFL Today* have given dyed-in-the-wool sports fans reason enough to question that notion. Gorgeous George knows as much about the gridiron game as the average beautician. But lest you think the airheads hold forth only on the airwaves . . .

A woman "sportwriter" named Barbara Walter (not be confused with Barbara Walters!) has been making the rounds pushing a book which she just penned with Philadelphia Phillies' slugging third baseman Mike Schmidt, a book which she claims will be "invaluable to little-leaguers wanting to learn how to hit." On a recent appearance on network radio's *Larry King Show,* Miss Walter admitted that she had never seen a baseball game nor even known how the game is played until four years ago. Should your favorite youngster take Miss Walter's book and bat it, fungo, over second base, you might try giving him the soon-to-be published juvenile-oriented biography of Sugar Ray Leonard, the author of which Sue Burchard, recently called *The Ring* at deadline-time with a question that was troubling her.

"Leonard beat Ayula Kabula for the junior middleweight boxing championship?" asked the autor in a tentative voice.

"That's close enough" responded the bemused *Ring* editor to whom the call had been steered.

"Well," continued the candidate for membership in the IBWA, "my editor and I would like to know why he is allowed to fight juniors when he is an adult."

WHEN THE BELL RANG, THE DOCTOR WAS OUT

WHILE FERDIE PACHECO OVER at NBC gives you so detailed a clinical analysis of every fighter's physical malady you sometimes think he's going to send you a bill for a house call, you almost

wish he'd have called the Elizondo-Kenty fight instead of the three laymen CBS had at the mike.

For, when Kenty succumbed to the "No Mas" syndrome after the second round, all the three (including Sugar Ray Leonard) could think of was his operation for a detached retina. But, if they had, instead, done their homework, they would have remembered that Kenty had had internal problems in his fights with Vilomar Fernandez and Sean O'Grady, suffering from what was diagnosed as a potassium deficiency.

Where was the fight doctor when we needed him? Probably discussing something like a cut eye or terminal hangnail over on the Peacock network.

I'LL NEVER FORGET WHATSHISNAME

NEW YORK SENATOR JAMES Buckley, who was completing the term that had been made vacant by the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy in 1968, was on the campaign trail, trying to win the seat on his own in 1970 when on September 3rd, at one of those never-ending campaign stops at which a candidate must always be on guard, a reporter informed him that they had just heard over the radio that Vince Lombardi—the great Green Bay Packers coach who was the symbol of the National Football League during the preceding decade—had died. As horrified aides cringed, Buckley, intoned somberly, "New Year's Eve will never be the same." The aides shooed away the reporters, and Buckley went on to win the election and Guy—not Vince—Lombardo—not Lombard—of course, went on to ring in several more new years with his Royal Canadians.

Buckley may have "misconscrewed" the name, but, at least, he had the right generation. The same cannot be said for the Zambian government official who entered the ring prior to the recent Lotte Mwale-Chisanda Mutti light-heavyweight bout in Lusaka. After being introduced and shaking hands with the two fighters, the high-ranking dignitary grasped the hand of British referee Mike Jacobs and gushed, "Ah yes, I remember all the fine bouts you staged for Joe Louis."

A LIGHTWEIGHT MOVIE

THOSE WBA GARBAGE TITLES ARE good for something, if you know how to play your cards. While World Lightweight Champion Alexis Arguello is busy preparing for a brawl, with the hard-hitting Aaron Pryor, WBA champ Ray Mancini's biggest worry seems to be which movie deal to accept, not his upcoming title fight with Deuk-Koo-Kim.

Should Boom Boom allow John Cassavettes, Peter Falk and Ben Gazzara to do his life story? Or should he go with Sylvester Stallone and Anthony Quinn, who propose thay Ray play himself in their project? "I like the idea of starring in it" says Mancini, providing the probable answer.

COMEBACKS NOW GO FROM A (ALI) TO Z (ZYGLEWICZ)

MAKING A RING COMEBACK AT age 38 after a seven-year hiatus carries its risks—some obvious and some unforseen. The obvious ones are what led the New York State Athletic Commission to at first reject the license application of one-time heavyweight contender Dave Zyglewicz despite his having passed the required physical exams. But after Zyglewicz threatened to sue under statutes prohibiting age-discrimination, the commission relented and granted him the license against everyone's better judgement.

The unforseen risks have to do with what happens when you get your name in the paper. Dick Young, the acerbic New York Post sports columnist, blasted New York Commission chairman Jack Prenderville for backing down, contending that no judge would have ordered that Ziggy be given a license, "except maybe the one who sprang the heavyweight rapist." Young's wit was apparently too esoteric for some of his readers. Not catching his allusion to 565 pound Jo Jo Giorgianni, the rapist who was ordered set free by a New Jersey judge worried what effect imprisonment might have on the obese man's health, several readers of Young's column called *The Ring* to inquire "When was Dave Zyglewicz arrested for rape?"

Never, we are pleased to report, but that alone does not qualify for a license. Nor does his age.

DOWN FOR THE COUNT

RODRIGO SANCHEZ, 55 of cancer in Panama City. Sanchez served as president of the World Boxing Association since 1974.

CLINTON BRIDGES, one of only four men to defeat Joe Louis as an amateur. After a brief pro career, Bridges became one of Louis' sparring partners.

MICHAEL TRAVERSANO, 83, former New England featherweight champion, in New Haven. Fighting as Mickey Travers, he won the regional ring title in the 1920s.

PUNCHLINES

NEW YORK SPORTSCASTER WARner Wolf on Frank Fletcher's burst of activity in the closing round of his win over "Hardrock" Green: "They told Fletcher they were going to pay him by the punch."

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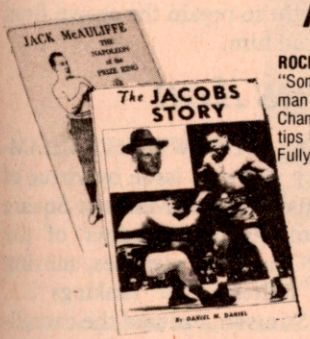

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30 YEARS AGO

ROCKY MARCIANO, LOSING ON ALL OFFICIALS' cards, knocked out the reigning heavyweight champion, Jersey Joe Walcott, with one tremendous punch in the thirteenth round. Jersey Joe proved far from shopworn, putting up a spectacular fight until the lethal blow was delivered. Welterweight champ, Kid Gavilan, won a big fifteen-rounder over Billy Graham in the two's fourth meeting. The "Hawk" immediately started calling for a middleweight title shot against Sugar Ray Robinson, but Angel Lopez, Gavilan's new manager, said that a bout with Bobby Dykes or Chuck Davey would probably come first. . .Jimmy Carter regained his lightweight crown by defeating Lauro Salas. Carter joined Lou Ambers as the only lightweight to regain the crown from the man who had taken it from him.

BACK IN THE RING

40 YEARS AGO

CHALKY WRIGHT, THE FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMpion, graced the cover of the year-end issue by virtue of his defeat of 56-0 Lulu Constantino at Madison Square Garden. . .Henry Armstrong gained "Fighter of the Month" honors with three knockout victories, moving him up to third in the welterweight rankings . . . Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, ordered the cancellation of the Joe Louis-Billy Conn championship match. Dan Daniel, in his editorial, said "there is no reason why Louis and Conn should be allowed, while in Army uniform, to fight for personal gain, while thousands and thousands of more deserving citizens, engaged in far more important tasks, in civilian life, had been forced to cut all relations with that life once they had gone into our armed forces."

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LEROY NEIMAN, NEW YORK, N.Y.

TELLING IT LIKE IT IS FOR COSELL

DARE YOU PRINT A LETTER STICKing up for Howard Cosell? I think it's time someone spoke out for my favorite boxing announcer.

It's true he's outspoken. It's true he's not always right. But then, who is? He calls it like he sees it and patronizes no one. He's knowledgeable, and I can't be the only one who likes him because he still has his job. Do you really think that ABC would keep him if people preferred to see someone else instead?

When I watch a fight I want to hear what Cosell has to say. I don't always agree with him but his perspective is always interesting and it makes me enjoy the fight even more.

PAUL MACKICWICZ, SOMERVILLE, N.J.

BOXING MOVIE HAS SOME BODY BUT NO SOUL

I JUST SAW THE REMAKE OF THE 1947 classic "Body and Soul." I've never seen the original, but *please,* tell me it wasn't like this far-fetched charade. I thought the movie "Rocky" was a blemish on boxing but this one makes my all-time worst movie list. Please, directors, producers, etc., don't do this. You're making it hard for people to believe that boxing truly is an art form, which it is.

STEVE BROWN, KENTON, OH.

Ed. Note: The Ring has recognized boxing movies as an important part of the lore of the sport in an article by movie critic Rex Reed (see March, 1980 issue of* The Ring*). In his selection of boxing's all-time "Ten Best," Reed lists the original "Body and Soul" as the fourth-best boxing movie of all time, noting that "John Garfield's vitality and Robert Rossen's realistic direction added flavor to the seedy saga of a poor pugilist who rises from the slums to the middleweight championship title, forsaking the love of a good girl (Lili Palmer) and a hard-working mother (Anne Revere) for a life of easy money and gold-digging tramps along the way. Great boxing footage." Unfortunately, the remake was like any remake, up to and including a Xerox, a generation removed from the original; and a generation removed from an "art form" as well.

HOW MUCH "BULL" CAN WE TAKE FROM AYALA?

WITH HIS UNSPORTSMANLIKE PERformance against Robbie Epps in his last outing, Tony Ayala showed that he is nothing more than a no-class bully. He may be a talented fighter but he disgraces the sport of boxing. I could not believe that the referee did not disqualify him or, at the very least, rule the fight no-contest when Ayala deliberately attacked Epps after the fight was stopped.

I've heard that Ayala is thinking of moving up to the middleweight division. I hope he does, as soon as possible. Should he try to bully Marvin Hagler he'll wind up flat on the canvas where he belongs!

TOM KENNEDY, HYATVILLE, MD.

THREE STRIKES— AND NOT OUT

AS BOXING COMMISSIONER OF PALM Beach County, Florida, I have some news that should be of interest!

We have seen quite a few fights end quickly because of the rule requiring the termination of a bout in the event of three knockdowns of one fighter in a round.

After watching the boxing show at the Auditorium in Palm Beach on July 31 in which the main event between Lee Canalito and Louis Acosta was terminated in the first round after Acosta was (supposedly) down three times, the commission staff and myself thought that a modification of this rule was needed.

We decided that to protect fight fans from being cheated by a premature ending of a fight where there are questionable knockdowns like slips on a wet canvas or even when a crouching fighter is pushed down, it is now up to the referee to decide if the stricken fighter is in good enough condition to continue; and if he is, the referee can let the fight go on.

HENRY (HANK) PIERRO
BOXING COMMISSIONER
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Editor's Note: 1. What you call a modification of the three knockdown rule, is in fact, the elimination of the rule. 2. If Acosta was not really knocked down three times by Canalito (as you imply) and if you frequently see slips on a wet canvas ruled knockdowns, then perhaps you should more closely monitor the competence of your referees. 3. Once a fight is underway, the first priority should be to protect the fighters. The fans should be protected by not approving of mismatches in the first place. 4. It is unlikely that the fans who were "cheated" by the Canalito-Acosta ending would have been less cheated had Canalito been permitted to knock Acosta down a fourth or fifth time. If a fighter has been knocked down three times in one round, even if the knockdowns may be questionable, it is prudent to end the fight.* The Ring *supports the three-knockdown rule.

ESPN'S "FRIGHT OF THE WEEK"

I SAW THE BOBBY CZYZ-CHRIS LINSON fight on ESPN. It lasted two rounds! They called it the "Fight of the Week" (Ha Ha!). The fight was so boring that every time the bell rang it woke me up. Czyz is a boring boxer without any style. He and his stablemates have been protected by manager Lou Duva. I've heard him called the "Beast from the East." Let him fight Tony "Silky" Nelson, the "Best in the West," who just won the ESPN championship. Nelson is ready to put his 13-0 record on the line whenever Czyz is ready. Czyz wouldn't last five rounds.

RHONDA LEE, BRADDOCK PA.

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FOR SHAME! IN YOUR OTHERWISE fine article on Sandy Saddler (October) you neglected to include his amazing record. Will you please fill those of us who do not

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S. MIDDELBERG, HAWTHORNE, CAL.

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HAIR YESTERDAY, GONE TODAY?

I WATCHED A "WORLD BOXING TITLE Bout" from Warren, Ohio on TV last Saturday and saw, or rather didn't see, something that really caught my eye. Not the bout itself, which I enjoyed very much, though the outcome of the Mancini-Espana fight came as no surprise. What *did* surprise me was that when the fight was over and all the people, whomever they were, gathered in the ring, I didn't see the fellow with the funny hair, Don King. It has been years since I ever saw a title bout on the tube—and what fight on the tube isn't for *some* title or other—and did not have to look at his silly grin and his hugging and kissing everyone after it was all over.

DON SMITH, PETERBORO, ONTARIO

Editor's Note: We hate to disappoint reader Smith, but, truth to tell, Don King does not have something to do with every *fight on TV; it only seems that way.*

O'GRADY ISN'T ALL THAT O'GREAT

SEAN O'GRADY MUST FACE REALITY. In order for him to win a title with worldwide recognition he must break away from his paternal boxing association and seek the direction of an objective trainer and manager. While the WBC and the WBA both have major flaws, Sean should make a genuine effort to pursue a belt within either organization, rather than without. If this advice is not followed it is possible that the career of Sean O'Grady might be over sooner than he thinks.

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IT WILL BE 59 YEARS ON DEC. 10, 1982, since Gene Tunney defeated Harry Greb for the American light heavyweight crown in New York City. Yet Harry Greb was the man who gave Gene Tunney his worst beating in the ring. It happened in their first fight when Greb won Gene's American light heavyweight title and handed him his first—and only—defeat. For fifteen rounds the playboy of the Western ring slapped and cut Gene to ribbons and finished the bout without a mark. Tunney collapsed in his dressing room after the bout, his body so swollen from Greb's blows that it was necessary to cut his tights in order to remove them, bleeding from cuts from both the eyes and lips. An hour after the fight Gene said: "Greb couldn't knock me out. I stood up to it all. I can stand anything now. I am going to be the next heavyweight champion of the world and I want another fight with Harry Greb." Gene fought Greb after this and turned the tables on the Pittsburgh Windmill, and also handed him a pasting in their other three fights. He then went on to win the heavyweight title from the Mannassa Mauler. Gene Tunney was a real fighting man, a real champion, and a fighter who was never fully appreciated by the sporting public. He was elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame in 1955 and died November 7, 1978 in Greenwich, Conn . . .

Didja know . . . That Carlos Ortiz, former lightweight champion, is now driving a taxi cab in New York City and with help from AA, Carlos beat the booze problem that nearly shortened his life . . . And that Mike Sarge, who is a Casino executive, hires a lot of ex-boxers, including Ralph Dupas and Joey Maxim who are working for him. Mike has the Sundance Casino in Las Vegas, once managed Johnny Lira and is still very much interested in boxing . . . And that Art Weigand and Bobby Tracey, former fistic greats from Ring #44 Buffalo, N.Y., are hospitalized. We send Good Wishes for a Speedy Recovery . . . Also Joey Giardello is back in action after a heart seizure. Good Health Joey . . .

Joe Ferry celebrated his 89th birthday recently and now resides in California. Joe is the nephew of the late Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and has worked in hundreds of films out of the West Coast . . . On Aug. 18, 1982, Mr. and Mrs. Bucky Jones of Morristown, N.J. celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Bucky, who is a N.J. Boxing Hall of Famer, was a world leading welter contender in the late '20s and early '30s and has worked for more than 45 years with young people in Morris County, N.J. teaching the art of self defense. "Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Bucky Jones". . .

Last Sept. 24th, 25th, and 26th the International Veteran Boxers Association held their 1982 Convention hosted by I.V.B.A. Ring #76 of Syracuse, N.Y. at the Friar Tuck Inn, Catskill, N.Y. A huge turnout was on hand to honor Vince Cala, Ring #101, John Lebow, Ring #32, Phil Rutha, Ring #8, Johnny Tovern, Ring #76, and also I.V.B.A. honorees: Barney Campbell, Ring #25, Dave Waters, Ring #105, Al Salkowski, Ring #101, Bill Funderburg, Ring #32 and Frank Titone, Ring #76. A Special Award was presented to Mrs. Rose Lewis by New York State Athletic Commission Chairman, John Prenderville for a Long and Meritorious Contribution to the Sport of Boxing. The chairman Michael J. Verone and co-chairman Fred Patuna, of this convention are to be congratulated on a job well done . . .

The Grim Reaper has taken its toll the past two months. Among its victims were: Dom Gulotta from New Orleans, fight manager who was a nephew of Pete Herman, the great bantam champ . . . Also Cosby Linson from New Orleans, a former good welter managed by Dom Gulotta and Chris Dundee . . . Bob Turner, 68, one of Virginia's best known middleweight fighters of the 1930's who boxed the best of his era . . . Gene Johnson, 79, Elizabeth, N.J. lightweight who beat Jimmy Goodrich, the-then lightweight champion of the world in 1925. Johnson fought from 1919 to 1930 and scored 84 victories in 93 bouts . . . Ernie Fliegel of Minnesota, former fighter and one-time manager of Frankie Battaglia and King Tut among others . . . Tom O'Connor, who was the late Stanley Ketchell's second . . . and on Sept. 16, 1982, Al Roth, former lightweight contender, age 68, passed away at his home in Oakland, Calif. In 1935 Roth fought Tony Canzoneri for the lightweight championship of the world and lost a fifteen-round bout at Madison Square Garden. REST IN PEACE . . .

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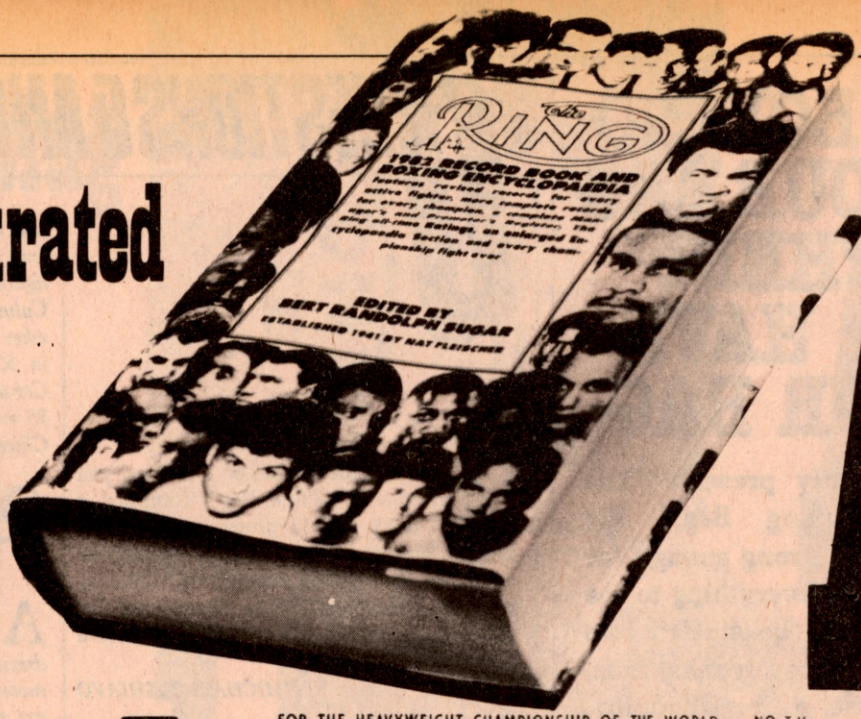

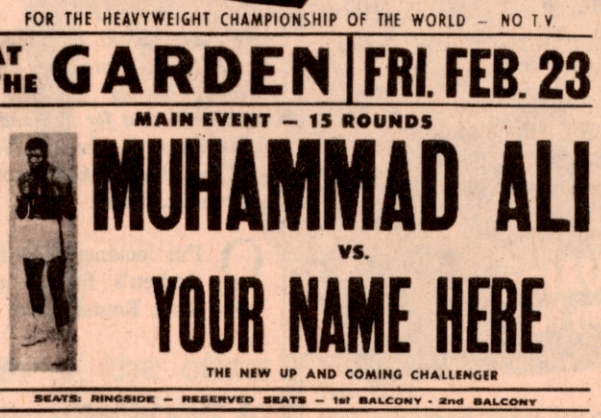

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q In the October issue of *The Ring*, you stated that Willie Pep "compiled a 230-11-1 mark in 242 professional bouts." But the Seagram's V.O. poster of Pep said he compiled an "overall record" of 229-11-1 with 65 knockouts. Those figures are the same as the ones found in *The Ring Record Book*. Did you err?

—MICHAEL F. SHIAVO

A *Not a bit. Prof. Luckett V. Davis of South Carolina, one of the world's greatest boxing scholars, had found an additional bout for Pep and passed it on. The fight was on October 24, 1940 in New Haven, and saw Willie take a six-round decision over Jimmy McAllister.*

Q I'm looking for information on Jim Corbett's famous quote concerning "One More Round." Are you familiar with it?

—FRED W. HARTDEGEN

A *Jim said that to his chief second, George Considine, at the start of the 23rd round of his scheduled 25-round title bout with James J. Jeffries at Coney Island on May 11, 1900. "One more round, George, and I'll show him the greatest rally down the stretch he's ever seen." It was not to be, however, as Jeffries knocked him out with a left to the jaw in the 23rd.*

Q What happened to Marty Monroe and Eddie (The Animal) Lopez?

—VIRGIL BENDER

A *Monroe hasn't fought since he was stopped by Greg Page last year. Lopez is still active on the west coast, but hasn't met any "name" foe in some time.*

Q Could you publish some info on the great Battling Nelson, boxing champ of the early twentieth century?

—JOSEPH R. VIGNALI

A *Nelson was born Oscar Matthew Battling Nielson in Copenhagen, Denmark on June 5, 1882 and started his pro career in 1896 at the age of 14. He was a rough tough "battler" who used his head—but not his brains—to win, and was known for his ability to "take it" in long distance contests. Nelson won the world lightweight title by knocking out Joe Gans in Colma, California on July 4, 1908 and lost it when Ad Wolgast stopped him in the 40th round in Richmond, Calif. on February 22, 1910. Career totals: 59-19-19 in 132 contests, with the 35 remaining bouts "no decision." He died in Chicago on February 7, 1954.*

Q How can I get in touch with Babe Griffin, the California promoter?

—STEVE KLASSON

A *Write to him at 19950 Hale Avenue, Morgan Hill, Calif. 95037. The addresses and phone numbers of virtually all promoters, matchmakers, managers, and the like are published each year in* The Ring Record Book. *Everybody interested in boxing ought to get a copy.*

Q Was the Victor McLaglen who fought Jack Johnson in Vancouver on March 10, 1909 the same man as the actor who won an Academy Award for *The Informer?*

—HAL BOOZER

A *One and the same person.*

Q What was Buddy Baer's record? Did he meet any quality fighters besides Joe Louis?

—PETE WOOD

A *Buddy was 48-7 with 43 knockouts in 55 professional bouts in a career that stretched from 1934 to 1942. He fought Abe Simons (KO 3), Gunnar Barlund (KO by 7), Lee Savold (W 8), Nathan Mann (KO 7), Valentin Campolo (KO 1), Eddie Blunt (L 10), and Tony Galento (KO 7), besides Louis.*

Q Why didn't Tommy Loughran and Maxie Rosenbloom ever fight?

—JIM ZAMICHELLI

A *Because the Depression was on. Potatoes were cheaper, tomatoes were cheaper, and there were enough onion to stink out any arena without Loughran-Rosenbloom fight.*

Q Did Jack Johnson go to prison after his defeat by Willard?

—DAN O'ROURKE

A *Yes. He was sent to Leavenworth.*

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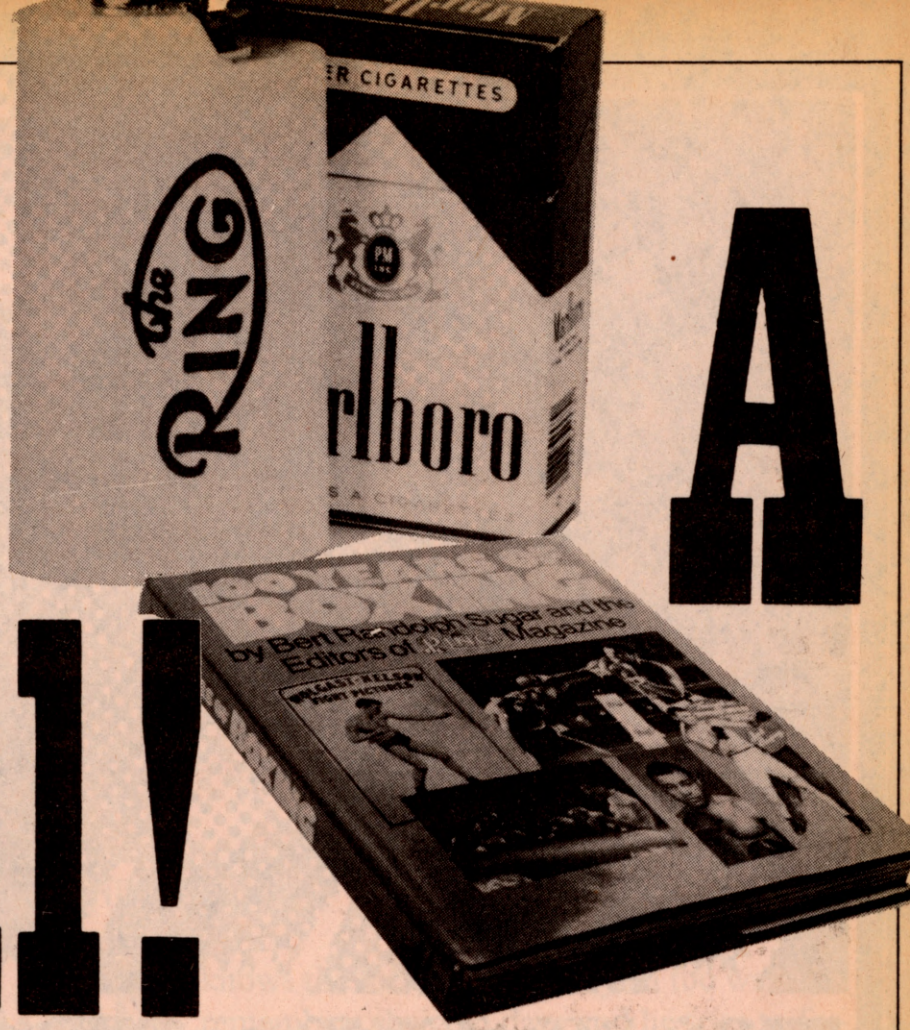

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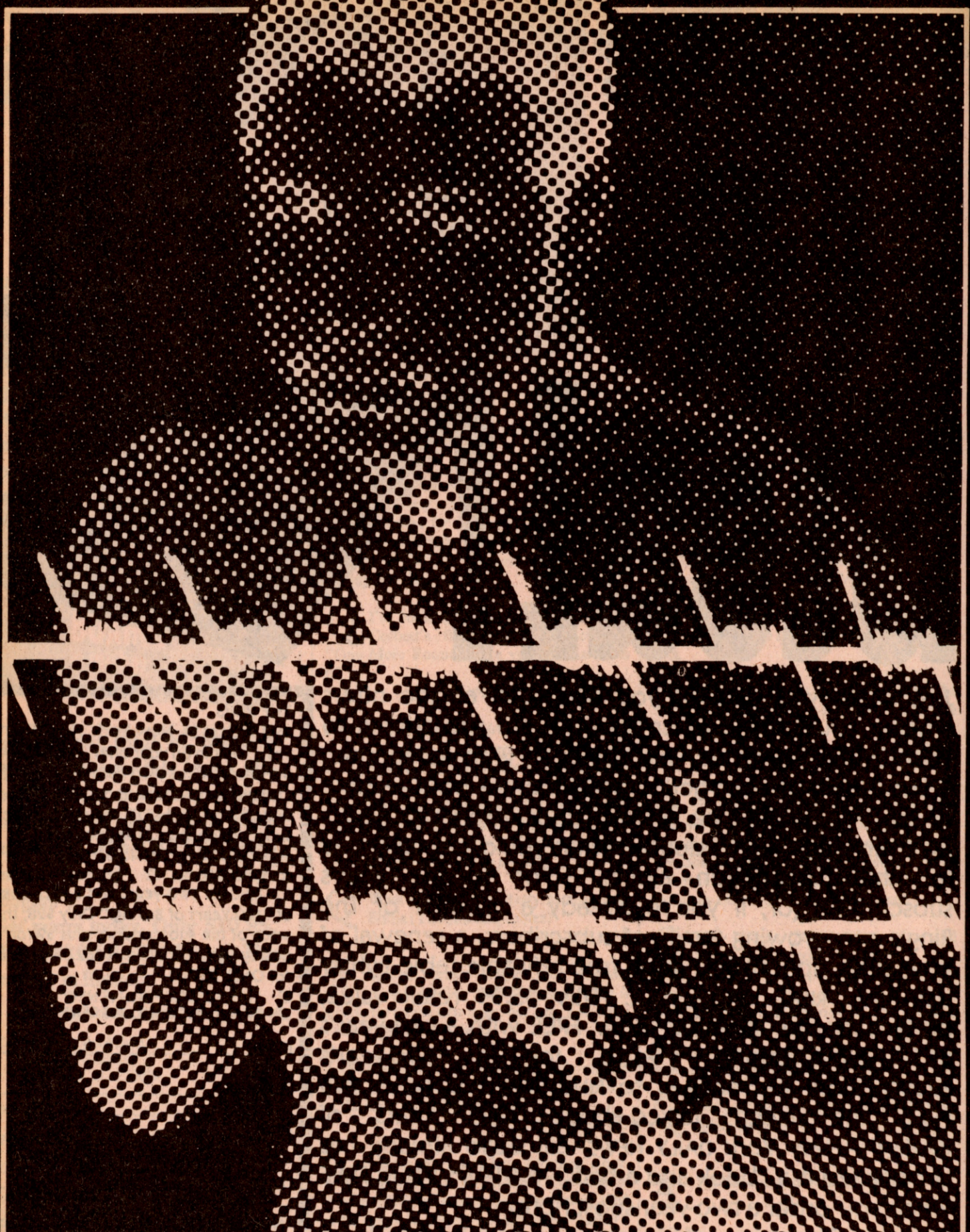

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I've seen sunny days that I thought would never end..." JAMES TAYLOR

AYALA

A HIGHBALL AND HE WOULD HAVE CRASHED THROUGH MORE WALLS THAN THE SCHLITZ MALT LIQUOR BULL; NOW TORITO'S ON THE WAGON AND MOVING TOWARDS A TITLE SHOT.

BY RANDY GORDON

TONY AYALA, SR. knows the feeling of poverty all too well. He remembers the cold days and he tries to forget the hungry nights. In the world where only the strong survive, Tony Ayala survived. He clawed and fought and battled his way out of the life he'd wish for nobody. When his own life was set, he built a protective barrier around it, a barrier made from the strongest bond known to man. Love. ¶ There is Pauline, his wife. There are also four sons—Mike, Sammy, Tony Jr. and Paulie. They were all he had. They were all he needed. They were his kingdom. He was their king. As each of the boys grew, Tony taught them to be tough. He taught them right from wrong, or at least, what he BELIEVED was right from wrong. School was important in his mind, but not as important as the lessons of life he would drill into their young minds.

UNLIKE MANY PROFESSIONAL PRIZEfighters, Tony Ayala, Jr., did not discover boxing by accident, or by falling in love with the sport after watching it on television. Ayala is a fighter by design—his father's design.

"I knew Tony was going to be a fighter when he was born," said Tony Sr. "I taught him the boxing stance when he first could stand and laced gloves onto him before he was four."

Soon after, Tony Jr. was boxing in competition. When he was eight years old, he lost to a boy three years older. He hasn't lost since.

"Losing is never a good feeling," said Tony Jr. "In my family, losing was especially bad. It wasn't that dad yelled or hit us or punished us. He didn't do anything like that. I wish he would have. He just looked at us. He had a hurt and disappointed look in his eyes. When he looked at me like that, I felt I had let him down: that I had let the entire Ayala family down. It was a terrible feeling."

As young Tony grew, his punching power grew accordingly. As a 13-year-old, he was already hitting harder than most fully-grown men. During a sparring session in 1976, Ayala floored his 18-year-old opponent. So what? The 18-year-old opponent just happened to be WBA welterweight champion Pipino Cuevas.

With so much of his time spent either in school or in the gym, Ayala had few moments for anything else. It was during one of those

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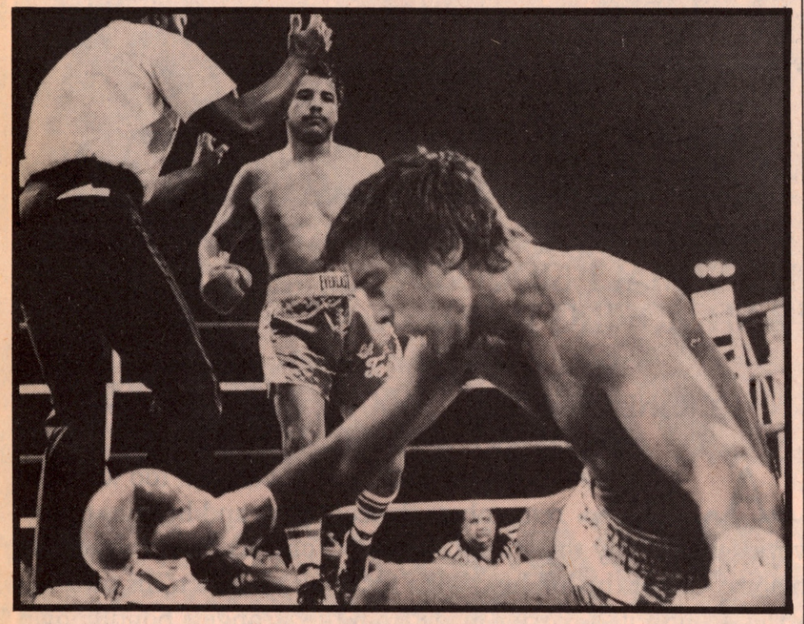
moments that Ayala discovered alcohol. And that it didn't take more than one drink to intoxicate him.

When he drank—which was not often and usually not very much—Ayala would nevertheless be adversely affected. Sometimes he would get depressed from the drink. Other times he'd explode in a rage. When he was 15, one of those rages led him to assault a teenage girl. For this aggravated and senseless assault, Ayala was fined and placed on a 10-year probation.

Inside a ring, there may be no nastier, vicious fighter than Ayala. However, when the final bell rings, when the fight is over, Ayala has trouble "switching off" his flow of andrenalin, trouble ending his facade of nastiness. In a bout televised on ESPN in January, 1981, Ayala knocked out Jose Luis Baltazar in the second round. The two had "at" each other before the fight, at the weigh-in and during the abbreviated fight. When Baltazar was knocked down in the second round, Ayala stood over his Mexican opponent and spat on

TONY AYALA, JR.
San Antonio, Texas Junior Middleweight
Born: February 13, 1963. Height: 5 ft. 7 in.
Managed by Shelly Finkel, Lou Duva and Tony Ayala, Sr.

	1980		
June	17—Prisciliano (Zip) Castillo, San Antonio	KO	1
July	15—German Marquez, San Antonio	KO	1
July	28—Manuel Torres, Corpus Christi	KO	1
Sept.	18—Archie Andrews, Totowa	KO	1
Nov.	1—Mike Baker, Lake Tahoe	W	8
Nov.	20—Lester Groves, Totowa	KO	2
Dec.	20—Earl Liburd, Bronx	KO	1
	1981		
Jan.	16—Jose Luis Baltazar, San Antonio	KO	2
Mar.	28—Mario Maldonado, Syracuse	KO	3
Apr.	25—Agapito Ramirez, Phoenix	KO	3
May	23—Pat Hallacy, San Remo	KO	4
June	25—Jerry Cheatham, Houston	KO	6
Aug.	23—Nicanor Camacho, San Antonio	W	10
Sept.	16—Jose Baquedano, Las Vegas	KO	1
Dec.	10—J.J. Cottrell, Totowa	KO	8
	1982		
Jan.	15—James Waire, Houston	KO	7
Feb.	26—Nat King, San Antonio	KO	3
May	2—Steve Gregory, Tampa	KO	3
Apr.	10—Dario DeAsa, Houston	KO	2
June	26—Curtis Ramsey, Ft. Worth	W	10
Aug.	1—Robbie Epps, San Antonio	KO	1



After finishing his amateur career in 1980, Ayala signed a professional contract with veteran New Jersey fight manager Lou Duva and rock n' roll promoter Shelly Finkel of New York. Lou's son, Dan, the president of Main Events, would promote Ayala's fights. Originally, Main Events shared in the promotion of Ayala with Bob Arum's Top Rank, Inc. A dispute between the two groups in late 1981 led to Main Events suing Top Rank, winning, and taking over full control of Ayala's promotion. In losing Ayala, Top Rank also lost the services of the entire Duva stable, highlighted by Bobby Czyz, Alex Ramos, Johnny Bumphus and Rocky Lockridge.

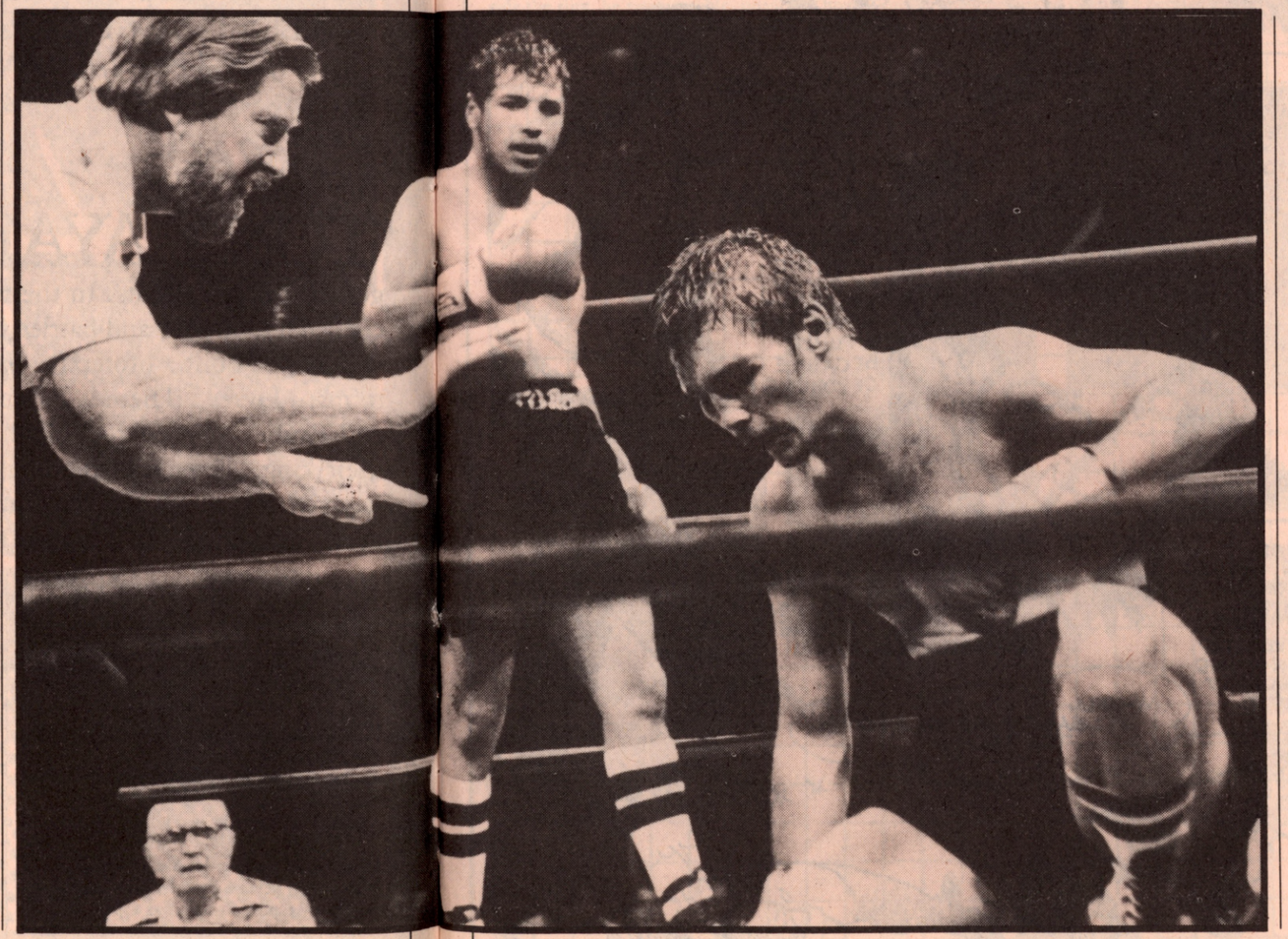
Quickly, Ayala powered his way to victory after victory. Most by knockout. His fistic ferocity reminded boxing observers of a young, hungry Roberto Duran.

In the ring, Ayala is a beast. He is ruthless. He fights as if he has no respect for either himself or his opponent. When the bell rings, it is seek and destroy for Ayala, so appropriately called "El Torito," the "Little Bull."

him. Against Robbie Epps last August 1st, Ayala won on a first-round technical knockout. The two didn't like each other. Epps had once trained under Tony Sr. and left after awhile, calling the Ayala family "animals."

Ayala didn't merely want to stop Epps. He wanted to punish him; to hurt him. So disappointed was Ayala that the referee pulled him off a dazed Epps in the opening round, he kept hitting Epps. It took Lou Duva to pull Ayala away from Epps and prevent a potential riot.

Following the victory over Epps, Ayala said "emotions were running high. I was lined up to fight Roberto Duran three months later, with a tuneup fight only weeks away. I had a drink to celebrate my victory. I got drunk.



▲ ***Tony Ayala needed only one minute and nine seconds to finish Jose Baquedano. Three left hooks did the job.***

▶ ***The "Schoolboy" got a lesson in arithmetic—compliments of "Torito" Ayala.***

My wife Lisa and I got in a fight. It was a big fight. She left me. I felt as if my world was falling apart. I got drunk some more."

On August 16th, Ayala was picked up by San Antonio police after entering a neighbor's house—uninvited. He was intoxicated, the house ransacked.

"I didn't even realize I wasn't in my own home," said Ayala, until I went to go upstairs to bed and saw there were no stairs."

There are still those who doubt Ayala was in the house merely because he was physically and mentally impaired from alcohol. His critics believe he was in the house on a burglary mission.

"What a crazy thought," retorted Dan Duva. "Tony was three months away from taking in nearly three-quarters of a million dollars against Duran. What was he going to do in the house, steal a watch?"

Whatever trouble Ayala was headed for following his arrest is now behind him. The owner of the house dropped legal charges

against the junior middleweight last October 14th. That move led Ayala's critics to claim charges were dropped because of a payoff to the owner of the house.

"That is absurd," said co-manager Finkel. "There is no truth to that statement at all."

It was August 22, 1982. Two of Ayala's stablemates, Johnny Bumphus and Rocky Lockridge, were fighting in the Americana Hotel at Great Gorge in New Jersey. Ayala was only six days removed from being arrested and only days away from entering an Orange, California hospital for treatment of his mental problems. As he and Lisa—who returned to each other's arms following Tony's arrest—walked into the arena, Ayala turned to his press agent, Kathy Duva, and said, "I feel like everybody is staring at me, like they want to get me." She smiled at Ayala and replied, "They are staring, Tony. They *do* want to get at you. They love you." No sooner had Kathy (promoter Dan's wife) finished, then the unbeaten junior middleweight contender was quickly surrounded by well-wishers and autograph-seekers.

"Wow! Look at this!" exclaimed Ayala, his mouth dropping open in amazement, as fans lined up to shake his hand or get an autograph. "They like me, they still really like me." Tears welled up in his eyes, but he didn't let them go. His father had taught him men don't cry. Torito had considered himself a man since he was five. He hadn't cried since that time, though there were countless times he wanted to. Such as now.

As he greeted his fans, Kathy Duva stood a few feet away.

"It's killing him," said the attractive publicist for Main Events. "He knows something is wrong, but he doesn't know why. Yet he remains as strong as can be expected through

BOXING'S CURRENT NUMBER ONE DIRTY FIGHTER, MIDDLE-WEIGHT PROSPECT
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this whole thing, I don't know of any other person who would be this strong at such a moment. I sure hope this hospital stay will help him."

On August 25th, Torito entered the Care Unit Hospital in Orange, California. The clinic's chief physician, Dr. Joseph Pursch, quickly diagnosed Ayala's problem as alcoholism.

"An alcoholic need not be a person who is dependent on alcohol," said Kathy Duva. "An alcoholic is someone whose professional, social, personal and financial lives are affected by the use of alcohol. Torito fits into all those categories."

Husband Dan adds, "It's not like Tony needs to drink. He has no physical dependancy on alcohol. The problem lies in the fact he can't drink—not even a little."

Before his medical treatment began, Tony Ayala, Jr., was two people. One of those people was an extremely confident, 19-year-old contender. In the ring he was in charge. Outside the ring, he was unstable, unsure of how to act around strangers, fans and press. Without his gloves and his trunks and his boxing shoes, Ayala was a confused young man who did not feel in control of his life.

His four weeks in the hospital have apparently turned Ayala the problem child into Ayala the man; a man who understands his strengths and his weaknesses, a man who has finally learned to cope with all life has to throw at him.

His medical treatments are far from over. He travels from his new home in New Jersey to midtown Manhattan three times a week for treatment and consultation.

If Torito emerges from all this as a better man, he will not be the only one. Down in San Antonio is the big man with the big belly, Big Tony. Papa Tony. The man who raised Torito the way he did for no other reason than he loves him.

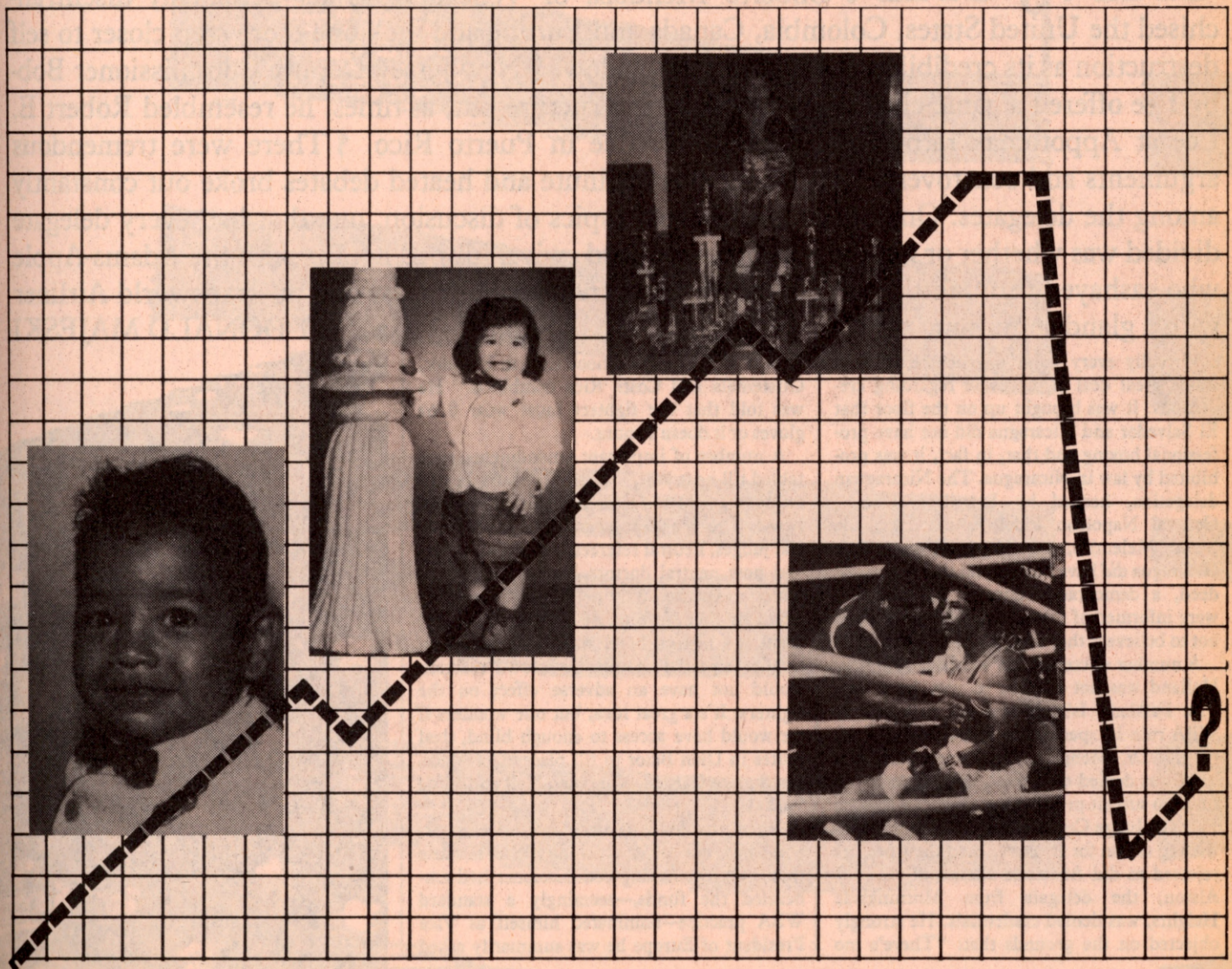
"If anybody is to blame for all the trouble, all the heartache, blame me," said Tony Sr. "I raised him, molded him into the kind of person he is. And that's a good person. I just never knew he was so confused because of all he kept inside him. The whole thing has made me understand not only Torito better, but myself as well."

If the fire that raged within Ayala has been extinguished as he comes to a total understanding of who he is and what he is all about, will his fistic fires and desires also be extinguished? Will the unstoppable savagery that made so many fans and experts call him today's most exciting fighter melt away with his personal problems?

"On the contrary," said Dan Duva. "Being a fighter is all Torito wants out of life. At least for now. He wants to be a champion more than any fighter I've ever seen. He can now climb in the ring with a totally clear head. It will be the first time he'll do so. Chances are he won't be as good as he was before—he'll probably be even better.

Torito Ayala has won the early rounds of his battle against himself. Total victory will not be easy, but Ayala has the heart and determination to power his way to glory.

Although it's not on the Chinese calendar, 1983 looks to be the year of the "Little Bull." Will it be the year Ayala becomes a better man?



THE WBA SCREWS THE USA

HOW "MENDOZA'S REVENGE" MADE "MONTEZUMA'S REVENGE" LOOK LIKE A MILD CASE OF INDIGESTION

SAN JUAN PUERTO RICO . . . The World Boxing Association elected Dr. Gilberto Mendoza of Venezuela as its president, disenfranchised the United States, Colombia, Canada and Europe and took one more step closer to self destruction as its credibility reached an all time low. ¶ New Jersey Deputy Commissioner Bobby Lee offered a game challenge to the power structure but, at times, he resembled Robert E. Lee at Appotomax rather than Robert W. Lee in Puerto Rico. ¶ There were tremendous arguments and controversies surfacing every minute and heated debates broke out constantly among the delegates. One of the most heated topics of discusion, one that had every delegate divided was whether or not the voluptuous, blond swivel hipped hooker with the Adams-Apple who sashayed through the lobby nightly was a transvetite, transsexual or Transworld Airliner with a gland condition.

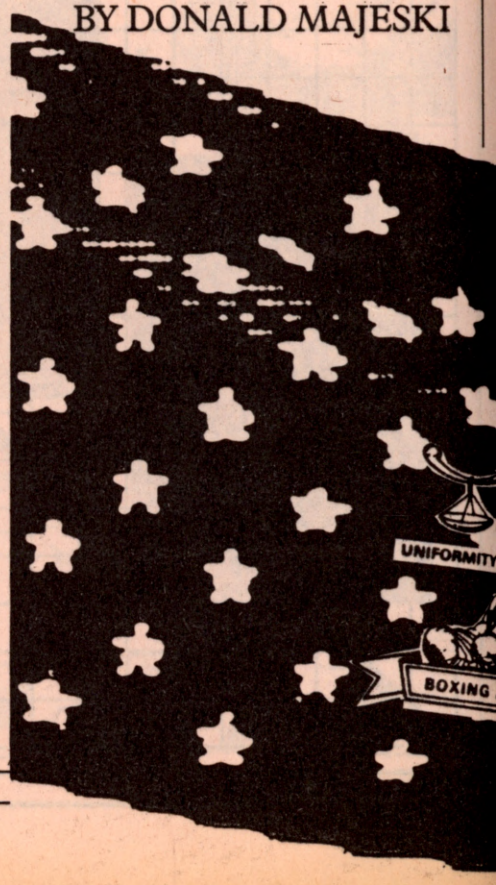
BY DONALD MAJESKI

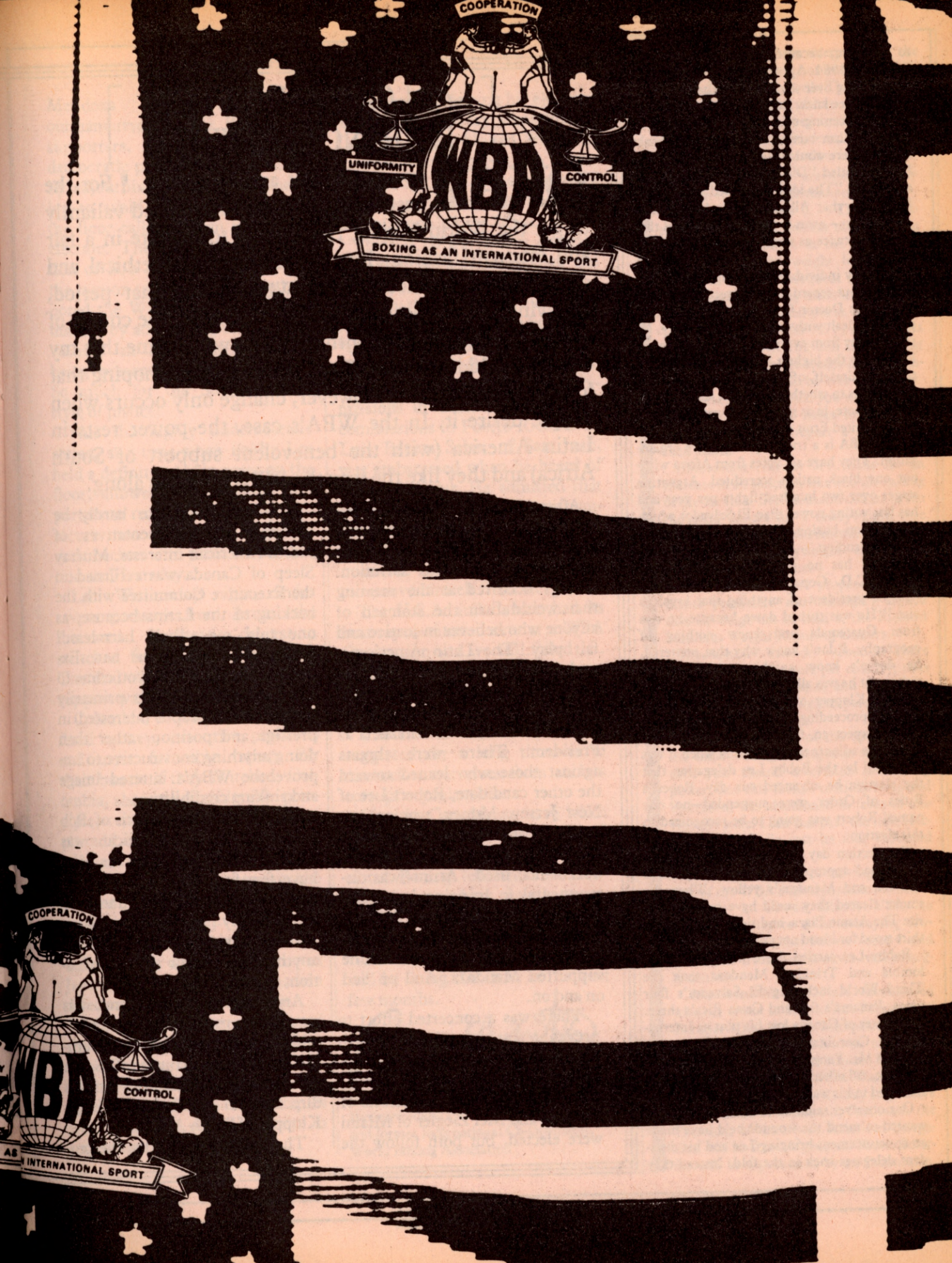
Virtually every point was debated. There was a great deal of discusion regarding credentials. It was brought up on the floor that El Salvador and Nicaragua did not have professional boxing and that, in fact, it was prohibited by law in Nicaragua. The Nicaraguan delegation, headed by—I believe—Doctor, General Napoleon Fidel Julius Caesar de Stalin Melendez, argued vociferously that Nicaragua *did* have boxing and that it was, indeed, a democratic country. All delegates were informed of this and that if they choose not to believe it they would be shot at sunrise.

A number of credentials were not accepted. Holland was not allowed to vote by proxy. The Falkland Islands was not accepted as WBA rule 19 specifically forbids sheep from voting. Dr. Mengele, the Paraguayan delegate, was denied accreditation because he refused to submit proper dental records, Amelia Earhart, Judge Crater and D. B. Cooper, who wanted to run for treasurer, had their proxies rejected as did Anastasia Romanoff. Harvey Alston, the delegate from Morningside Heights, was denied credentials. He strongly objected on the grounds that: "There's mo fightin' in ma neighborhood than in Ecuador, Guatemala and Costa Rica combined." He was told that the fighters must wear 8 oz gloves or it doesn't count.

A number of important amendments were tabled till next year. One involved the importation of a neutral doctor at the promoters' expense. This is a great idea. We now have neutral judges, neutral referees, neutral observers and now neutral doctors, for all at the promoter's expense. Why not neutral fans? We could fly them in on a neutral airline, house them at a neutral hotel and let them remain totally impartial so that the crowd reaction would not have an adverse effect on the fighters. It's a great idea, but one wonders if we would have access to enough blind, deaf mutes in Ulan Bator to fill places like Madison Square Garden, Korakuen Hall and Luna Park.

When the lone delegate from Denmark, who was not given accreditation, because their previous boxing commissioner had embezzled the funds,—seemingly a standard WBA practice—nominated himself as Vice President of Europe he was summarily asked

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to sit down, because the matter was being tabled till 1984. Apparently Big Brother will be watching over the WBA by then.

Bobby Lee knew he was really in trouble after the screening of a film on the glories of South African boxing. A rumor soon broke out that there would be a film narrated by Eva Peron entitled "Dictatorships I have known and Loved."The idea was tabled when it was found out that Albania didn't have proper credentials — even though they claimed they promoted twice as many pro boxing cards as Nicaragua.

The only individual who dealt in total fairness without regard to race, creed or national origin was Doctor C.D. Gonzalez of Guatemala. He dealt with complete equanimity. He took money from everyone. He was out to sell his vote to the highest bidder, in the best interest of himself, of course. There was some question as to whether or not he should be allowed to vote, in as much as he was accredited by the United Fruit Company.

The WBA is a truly representative organization. They have six votes from Africa without one black nation accredited. Argentina stages over two hundred fights per year and has less voting power than El Salvador which has had no boxing whatsoever—revolutions notwithstanding.

Europe has no vice president—although Doctor C.D. Gonzalez voluntered stating, "I'll be president of anything that involves vice." He was turned down because he was from Guatemala and knew nothing of geography. I don't know why that mattered, he doesn't know anything about boxing either, yet he was allowed to vote.

Judge Klopper of South Africa, presided over the proceedings with all the fairness one would expect to find in a South African judge. He adjourned the meeting when it was suggested by the Bobby Lee delegation that the election be advanced one day. Robert's Rules of Order were suspended—no one named Robert was going to be recognized in *this* election.

On election day the camps wore T shirts which had appropriate colors. Bobby Lee's was red and Mendoza's yellow. When the smoke cleared they could have renamed the site The Alamo Plaza, and the red of Lee's T shirt stood for blood not rage.

Bobby Lee carried the USA, Canada, Colombia and Trinidad. Mendoza took the Third World including El Salvador's four votes, Panama's five and Costa Rica's three. Ron Hater of Canada lost his post as International Coordinator, Hiawatha Knight, Korea's Mr. Yang and all the Colombians bit the dust. All other fair minded delegates were banished in his wake.

One observer said that if Gilberto Mendoza wanted to mend the wounds he'd have made an announcement bringing Lee and his dissident delegates back in the fold. Instead they

[AN OPEN LETTER TO RING'S EDITOR]

OKAY you were right and I admit it. ¶ For the past six years or so I have tried valiantly to get the World Boxing Association to operate in a fair and efficient fashion. I've battled against unethical and questionable practices in the WBA during that period, believing as I do that the best way to change the course of an organization is from within. ¶ You warned me that my efforts would be in vain. But I plowed ahead, hoping that logic would prevail. ¶ However, change only occurs when people desire it. In the WBA's case, the power rests in Latin America (with the benevolent support of South Africa) and they like the way the WBA bumbles along.

After attending the recent WBA Convention in San Juan, I am now convinced that the World Boxing Association is beyond salvation. Things occurred at the meeting that would turn the stomach of anyone who believes in justice and fair play. The Latin Americans, under the skillful direction of New York Promoter Bob Arum, used every trick in the book to elect Gilberto Mendoza of Venezuela as President. There were threats against those who leaned toward the other candidate, Robert Lee of New Jersey. Money, women, executive positions and better ratings for boxers were among the inducements used. Arum was instrumental in bringing in several delegates. One Canadian delegate was told he would receive several choice refereeing assignments if he supported Mendoza. And on and on and on.

There was a concerted effort to prevent any prominent North Americans from being elected, amounting to near-hatred.

It's true that Nick Kerasiotis of Chicago and Mel Ziegler of Miami were elected, but both follow the "party line" and can hardly be described as representatives of North American interests. Murray Sleep of Canada was returned to the Executive Committee with the backing of the Latins because, as one told me, "he's harmless." When you look at the new Executive board in total, you come to the conclusion that it's primarily comprised of people interested in prestige and position rather than doing anything constructive to improve the WBA's tattered image and sinking credibility.

The powerful influence of Bob Arum and the South Africans was evident—The South Africans, who have few friends in the world today, cling to the Latin Americans as their only hope to stay in international boxing. And they will do anything, as we saw at the convention, to protect their position.

Arum, on the other hand, was constantly running to the head-table to converse with his mouthpiece, Mike Mortimer of South Africa, who then relayed Arum's directions to the chairman, Judge Klopper of South Africa.

The judge, sensing that the pro-

Mendoza camp had been outmaneuvred by the Bobby Lee supporters, ignored elementary democratic procedures by arbitrarily adjourning Wednesday's meeting to avoid putting a motion to the floor calling for an immediate election. The judge, at the direction of Bob Arum, refused to put the motion to the assembly and ignored the WBA's own procedural manual by adjourning the meeting without an adjournment motion being presented and voted upon! So much for the South African style of justice!

This thoroughly undemocratic action, at a time when Bobby Lee held a definite edge in votes on the floor, allowed the Mendoza supporters to redouble their efforts to secure more votes and to get all their backers into place for an election on Thursday.

Late Wednesday night, under severe pressure from Arum, the four-vote Japanese delegation switched from Lee to Mendoza. The deal offered to Japan for their support was said to be sweet.

Colombia, with six votes, was offered money, executive positions and more favorable ratings for their boxers if they switched. Colombia, showing considerable principle, rejected the offer and supported Lee.

Arum and his crew worked through the night to swing the balance to Mendoza, flying in extra votes (Haiti). When the election was finally held, Mendoza defeated Lee, 41-32. The turncoat Japanese, along with one Canadian defector, spelled the difference.

Had Judge Klopper respected the accepted rules of procedure, the election would have been held Wednesday and Lee would have been elected. But these principles were ignored in the blind desire to retain control of the WBA.

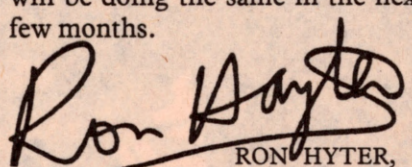
Mendoza, following his election, took no conciliatory steps toward Canada and the United States. In an interview in a Spanish newspaper in San Juan, he said he really didn't care if Canadian and U.S. commissions left the WBA.

There is no way North America will ever be able to change the WBA's system. Whenever we threaten their control, the Latins simply go out and form a bundle of "dummy" commissions for the additional votes. Seeking WBA membership now are eight new commissions in Chile and eight new commissions in Puerto Rico! Even Luis Batista Salas, of San Juan, was embarrased when he heard of the application. He admitted that there was only one legitimate commission in Puerto Rico and the others were just "dummy" commissions. No wonder he's decided to remove himself from the WBA!

The U.S.A. and Canada had its best representation ever at a WBA Convention and we still failed . . . even with the support of Colombia, Korea and Thailand. The situation will not improve.

The answer—one that you have suggested for a long time—is to diassociate ourselves from such a corrupt organization.

Here in Canada, we have taken that step. At last week's annual meeting of the Canadian Professional Boxing federation in Halifax, the members voted unanimously to withdraw from the World Boxing Association. Individual Commissions across Canada will be doing the same in the next few months.



RON HYTER,
Vice-President, Canadian Professional Boxing Federation,
and former International Co-Ordinator, World Boxing Association

decided to disenfranchise everyone. In the WBA when you lose it's not enough to kill, they bury the bodies as well. This time they did—*and* the WBA along with it.

Lee's congregation vowed to form its own organization—leaving Guatemala, Ecuador and Chile to fend for themselves in the WBA.

Among the many amendments submitted at the WBA Convention were:

Amendment Number 1. . . That all boxers must forfeit ten percent of their purse in favor of the WBA in the event they failed to make the weight limit at the weigh: in and a subsequent ten percent until such time as they made the weight or had nothing left in their purse.

Amendment Number 2. . . All boxers must enter an "All You Can Eat" contest two hours prior to the weigh-ins, thus insuring that they would be over the weight. In the event you refused you would be penalized by having to listen to the WBA medical committee report a fate worse than death.

Amendment Number 3. . . Calls for an increase in all sanction fees and the raising of the fee from five thousand dollars to ten thousand dollars for a heavyweight title bout. Considering the tremendous activity of the WBA heavyweight crown this shouldn't affect anyone.

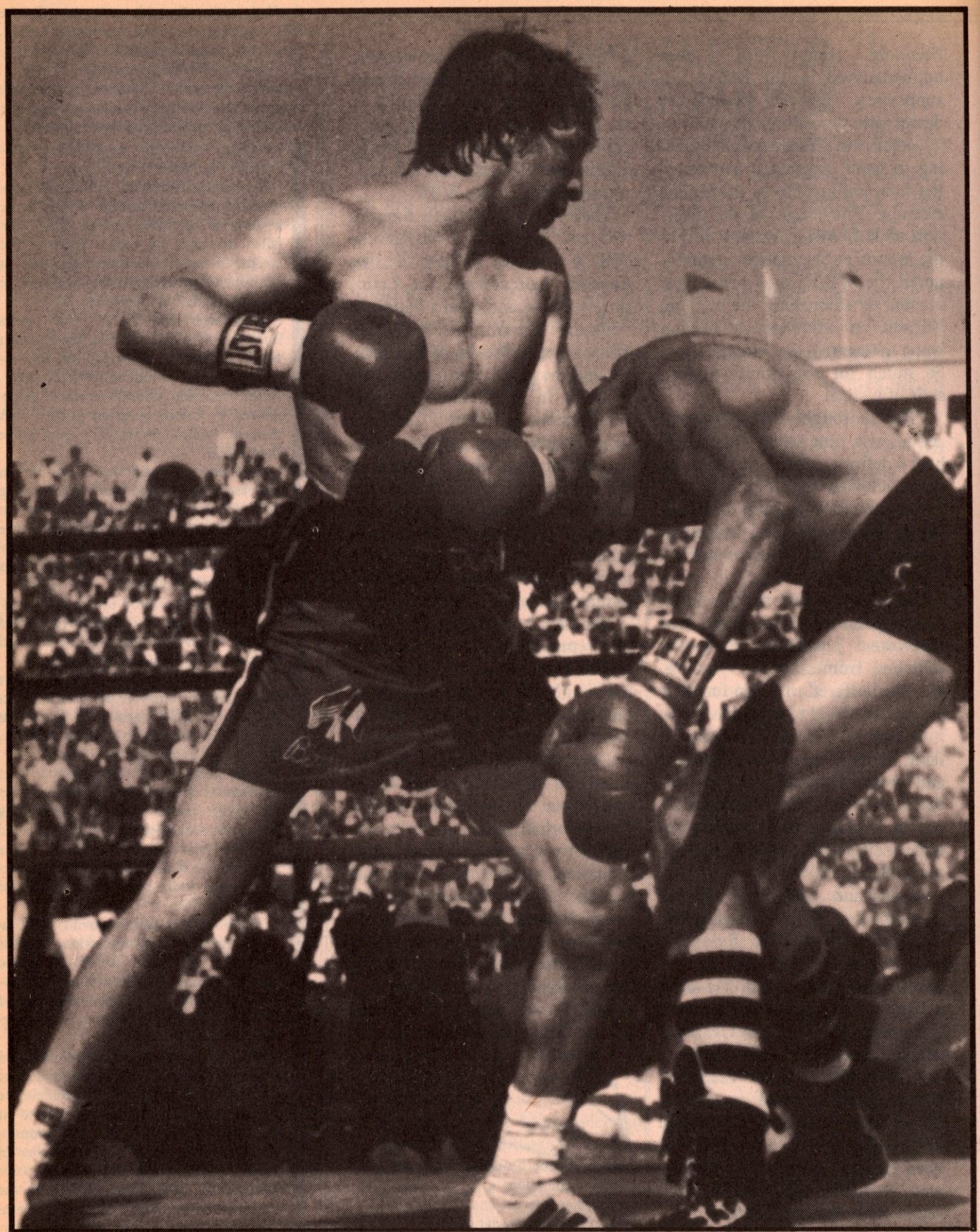
In response to these proposed amendments promoters and managers argued that all weigh-ins be held at the Richard Simmons Weight Reducing Centers.

Amendment Number Four. . . There should only be one vote per country, thus putting the USA, Japan and Canada at parity with such boxing hotspots as Belize, Taiwan and Pago Pago.

Some people were of the opinion that the amount of fights staged in each nation each year should determine the voting power. But this foolish motion, tempered by reason, was abandoned in favor of one vote per state. I can just hear the next election, "And India cast its four thousand votes for. . ."

There was also talk of moving the location of the WBA's incorporation, which is currently in Rhode Island, USA, to another country to avoid annoying lawsuits. The rumor that Robert Vesco would be the new treasurer, however, was strongly denied.

Amendment Number Five. . . Considered whether or not to have a Vice President of Europe. When the sole European delegate requested the position he was told to sit down and shut up. The current European rep for the WBA is Mike Mortimer of South Africa and he is certainly responsive to the needs of Denmark. Forthwith the President of the North American delegation will be from Argentina, South America will be represented by an Indonesian.



Above: WBA champ Mancini rocks shopworn Espana.

THE LIGHTWEIGHT DIVISION: RED-HOT STUFF AND GETTING HOTTER

BY MICHAEL KATZ

IT WAS the division of Benny Leonard and Roberto Duran, graced by Joe Gans, Battling Nelson, Ad Wolgast and Freddie Welsh, ruled by Sammy Mandell, Al Singer and Tony Canzoneri. The lightweight division. Lou Ambers, Lew Jenkins and Sammy Angott were its champions. It was the division of Ike Williams and Beau Jack, Bob Montgomery and Carlos Ortiz, Joe Brown and Ismael Laguna. Henry Armstrong and Barney Ross passed through before moving on to bigger things. ¶ The honor roll is, literally, a boxing hall of fame. And at least one current lightweight—although he weighs much more than 135 pounds, Bert Sugar IS a lightweight—thinks it may again be the class of classes.

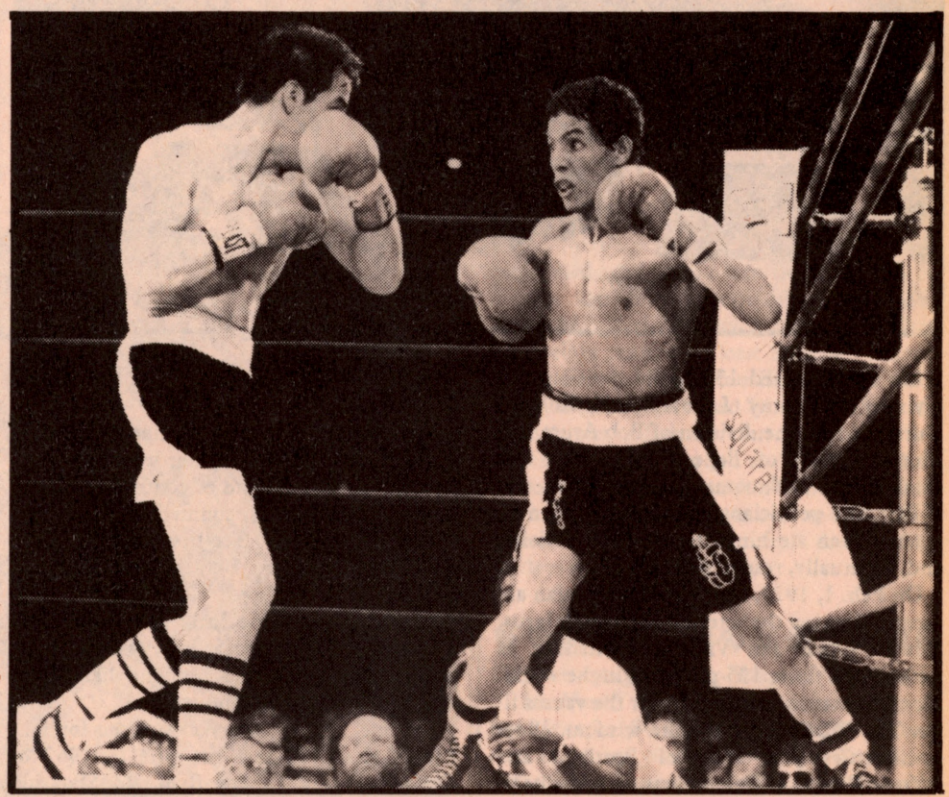
THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF THE *Ring* Magazine (so send him the letters) may be right. The current crop of lightweights is at least better than any vintage of cruiserweights.

"It's amazing how many good lightweights there are now," says Mort Sharnik, the boxing advisor for CBS.

Probably, one could put the names of 20 lightweights in one of Bert Sugar's hats, pick out two and get not only a pretty fair match, but also some of Bert Sugar's dandruff. The 135-pound class is as deep as boxing's shallow waters go these days. But the water is a little murky. We're not yet talking about a star-studded welterweight division with Sugar Ray Leonard, Thomas Hearns, Roberto Duran, Wilfred Benitez, Pipino Cuevas and Carlos Palomino.

The division does have Alexis Arguello, as classy a boxer as exists nowadays, as one champion and Ray (Boom Boom) Mancini, who with Ray Leonard's retirement may be the sport's biggest star, as the other.

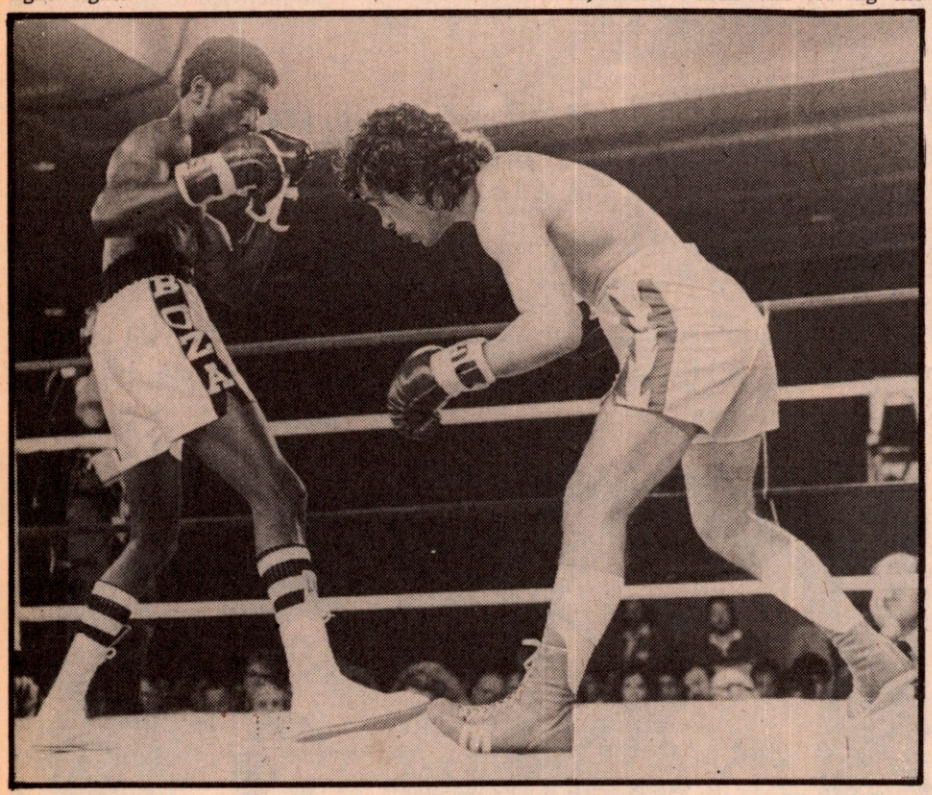
Better, it has a pair of young Puerto Ricans, Edwin Rosario of San Juan and Hector (Macho) Camacho of New York's Spanish Harlem, who could, with no great deal of imagination needed, develop into superstars. But the basic strength of the division, which



"Macho" Camacho eyes Loy intently. Note writer Katz (beard, glasses), seated.

sets it apart from most, lies with the number of attractive contenders. There are such stalwarts as Hilmer Kenty, Howard Davis Jr., John Montes, Jose Luis Ramirez, Greg Coverson, Andy Ganigan, et al. It's a promoter's—and television network's—dream to have so many viable alternatives to match and rematch. Hardly a weekend goes by these days without at least one significant lightweight match. Try that with some other divisions; you'd run out of heavyweights in a month.

Only the junior middleweight class, where Benitez and Hearns moved after outgrowing the welterweights, with Tony Ayala, Jr., Davey Moore, Ayub Kalule, Mike McCallum, Clint Jackson and a few decent foreigners, approaches the depth of the lightweights.



But the hallowed 135-pound division, the division of Benny Leonard and Roberto Duran, is now the division of Bob Arum and Mort Sharnik, of Pepe Cordero and the smoke-filled backrooms, of the WBA and WBC. The politicians and dealers took over when Duran ate himself out of the division and, eventually, respectability.

On Feb. 1, 1979, the great Panamanian abdicated, leaving the veterans Esteban DeJesus, Edwin Viruet and Vilomar Fernandez as perhaps the finest 135-pounders in the world. None, of course, would fight for the vacant title. The WBC, in its infinite wisdom, chose mediocrities Jim Watt of Scotland and Alfredo Pitalua of Colombia to meet for its title. The WBA, of course, would never allow such second-liners to have a chance at one of its championships. The WBA insisted upon third-liners and got Pepe Cordero's man, Ernesto Espana of Venezuela, and Claude Noel of Trinidad and Tobago.

Tobago? Things got even worse. Watt, an incredibly dull southpaw, and Espana, won the respective titles. But like the flyweights, the belts were not secure. When a division is overly populated by club fighters masquerading as contenders—and with the boys in the backrooms firmly in control—the 135-pound titles have been changing hands as frequently as a blackjack dealer. Since 1980, Kenty, Sean O'Grady, Noel, Ganigan and even Art Firas have been lightweight champions. We're not talking Benny Leonard or Henry Armstrong, folks.

In 1979, when Duran was leaving the lightweights to their own devices and boxing fans were getting excited about the welterweight division, Mort Sharnik began to get the idea of having regular weekend fights on CBS with some kind of continuity. While Ferdie Pacheco, his counterpart at NBC, would choose the face-first middleweight division, Sharnik took a chance with 135-pounders.

"I always liked the little guys," he said. "When they have a great heavyweight fight, people will say, 'They fought like lightweights.' So *why not* lightweights?"

For one, the division had become foreign. After Joe Brown lost the title in 1962 to Carlos Ortiz of Puerto Rico, no Stateside fighter was lightweight champion until Kenty, in his 17th pro fight, easily dethroned Espana for the WBA title on March 2, 1980. A quick glance at any ratings, even those of the ridiculed WBA and WBC, reveals that most of the contenders now are American. Sharnik saw the future.

"I was looking around for a division with a pool of talent we could run with," he said. "We had a need for competitive fights and the lightweights could give that to us on a regular basis. And we had a chance for it all to culminate and climax in a title fight."

CBS, with Bob Arum as its promoter, has been culminating and climaxing regularly. Arguello, the former featherweight and junior lightweight champion, finally wrested the WBC title from the protected hands of Jim Watt. Meanwhile, a youngster from Youngstown, Ohio, was on a mission to win the title his father never had a chance to fight for. Boom Boom II, a personable and attractive fighter who always gave the fans their money's worth, was latched onto by Sharnik. Mancini was not ready for Arguello in 1981, but he was more than ready for Art Frias in 1982.

CBS and Arum had correctly gauged the possibilities. The 135-pound division became their cornerpiece (Arum, of course, had another corner secured with Hagler ruling the middleweights, but his promotional rival, Don King, was steadily building up a stable of 160-pounders; King has yet to offer any competition in the lightweight class).

"The heavyweights have been deplorable," said Sharnik. "The middleweights are tough guys, but you don't have the overall talent of the lightweight division."

Ray Arcel does not like to use the word "great." The great 83-year-old trainer, who may be the world's foremost expert on great lightweights, refrains from using the word, even for Arguello. "A very outstanding fighter, he is supreme," said Arcel.

But Arcel is the man who wrapped the hands of Benny Leonard and Roberto Duran. He also trained Lenny (Boom Boom I) Mancini, Ray's father. And Arcel, in his heart, feels that the older Mancini was a better fighter than the son is "right now."

"Ray has so much he has to learn," said Arcel. "His main defense is his offense. His father was able to box as well as fight. But this kid seems to learn as well as his father. But believe me, his father would stand out today."

Lenny Mancini, of course, was just one of many, many top-flight 135-pounders before he lost his skills to two wounds suffered at the Battle of the Bulge. Arcel said the sad thing about today's boxers is that they have fewer opportunities to learn in the gyms. And in the ring. The opposition and the teachers are just not there. But the lightweights of today have an edge on their peers. There is enough opposition for the regular TV schedules.

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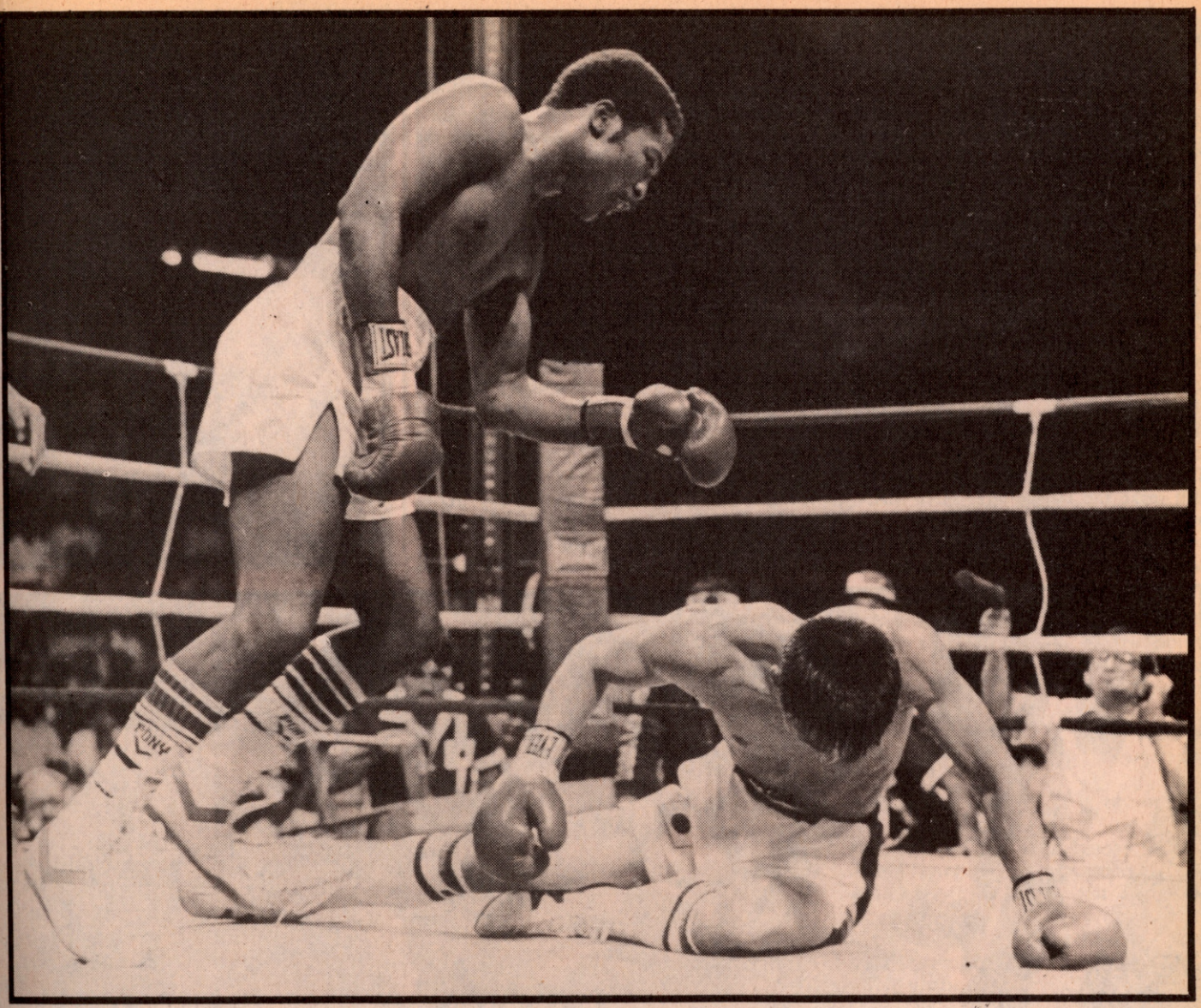

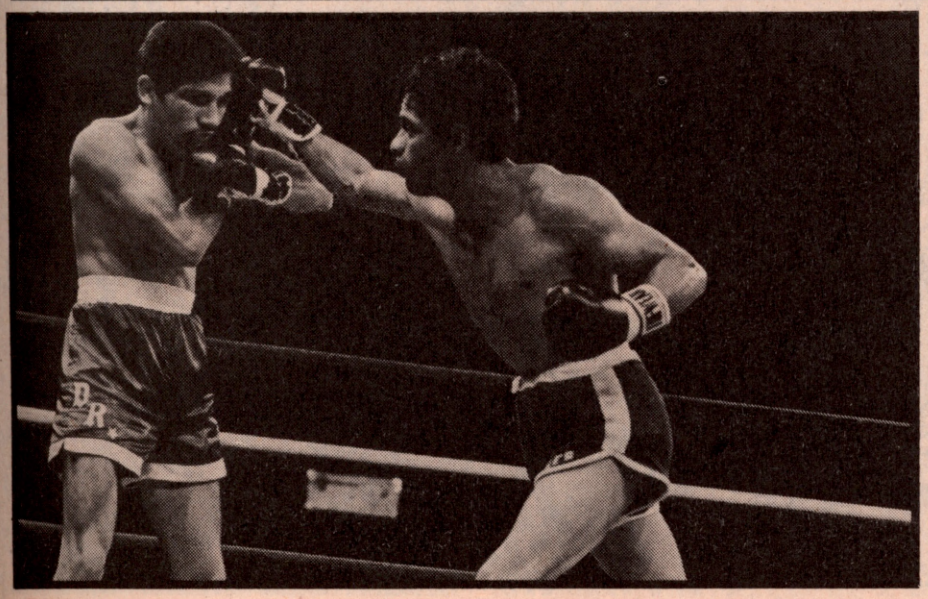

And there's a name that has not yet been mentioned who deserves to be at the top of the division. Sharnik will bring it up now when he offers his own, less-than-perfect lightweight ratings. At least Sharnik's ratings do not include Deuk-Koo Kim, one of four Koreans to be top-ranked by the WBA in its 15 divisions, a fighter referred to by the irrepressible Flash Gordon as "Pe-Suh Shit." Of course, Sharnik's network bought a title defense for Mancini against Kim—anything to protect the glamor boy until the big, big paydays down the road.

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Opposite page: Boza Edwards iced John "The Heat" Verderosa. Above: Biggest problem for Jr. Welter champ Pryor was not tripping over Kamikaze Kameda. Left: Gaby Canizales nails Diego Rosario en route to big win.

Sharnik, to the surprise of no one, rates Arguello one class higher than anyone else in the division. "I'd put Mancini and Pryor in a dead heat," he adds.

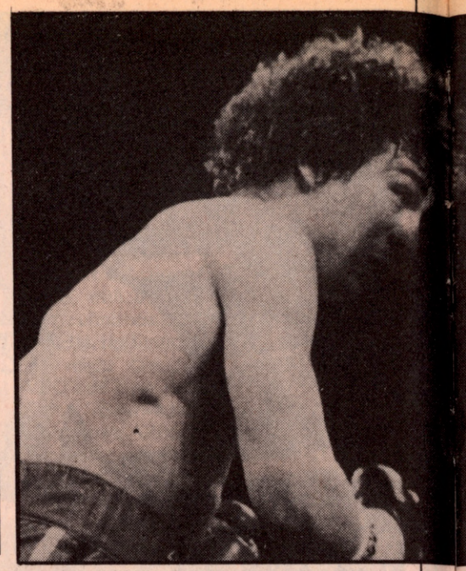
Aaron Pryor, the WBA junior welterweight champion (as this is written, he was preparing for his defense against Arguello), is, of course, a lightweight. That was his class when he lost a narrow decision to Howard Davis Jr. in the 1976 Olympic Trials boxoff (the U.S. team already had one Leon Spinks and was not about to let Pryor join him). And that was his class when he turned pro and discovered that no lightweight would fight him.

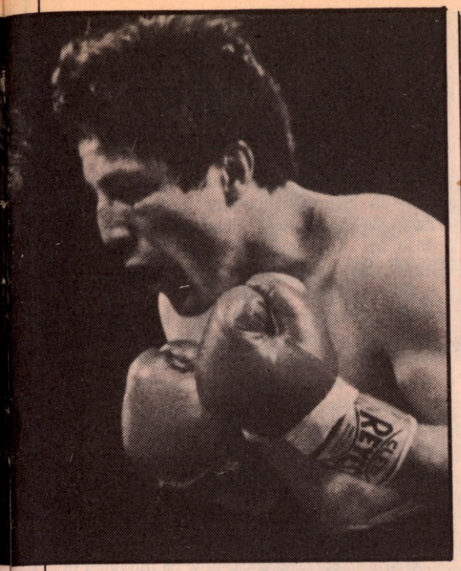
Harold Smith, the promoter who paved the way for Kenty's title shot, got Pryor the 140-pound WBA title and Aaron has languished there ever since. But though he had met no lightweight of calibre, until Arguello, Pryor must be considered at least the second best 135-pounder around. If he can, as he claims, still make the weight after more than two years of not having to.

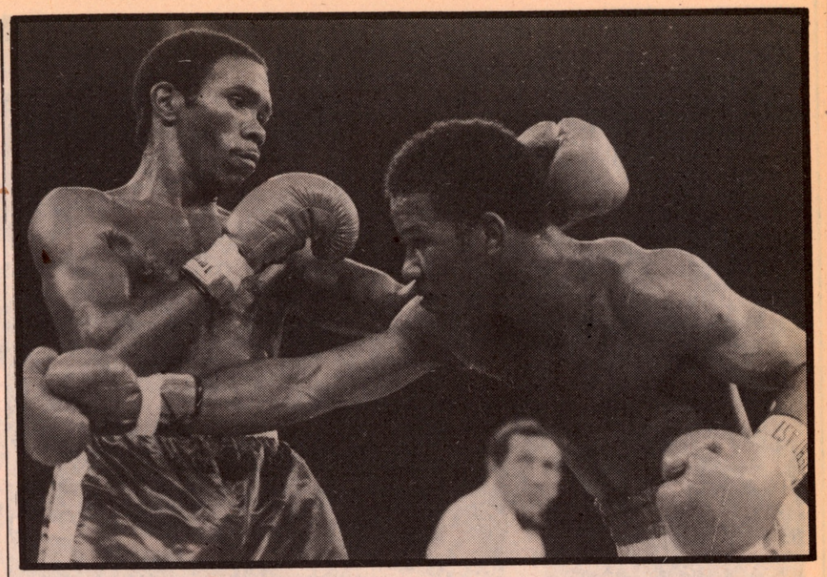
Below Mancini and Pryor, Sharnik rated Ruben Munoz, the switch-hitting Texan with the big right hand, and Kenty. Both were scheduled for rough opposition, however—Munoz against the very talented Roger Mayweather, a tall junior lightweight who can box, move and punch; Kenty against the rugged Roberto Elizondo, a tough body puncher. But should Munoz and Kenty escape from those contests, there will be no arguments about rating them highly.

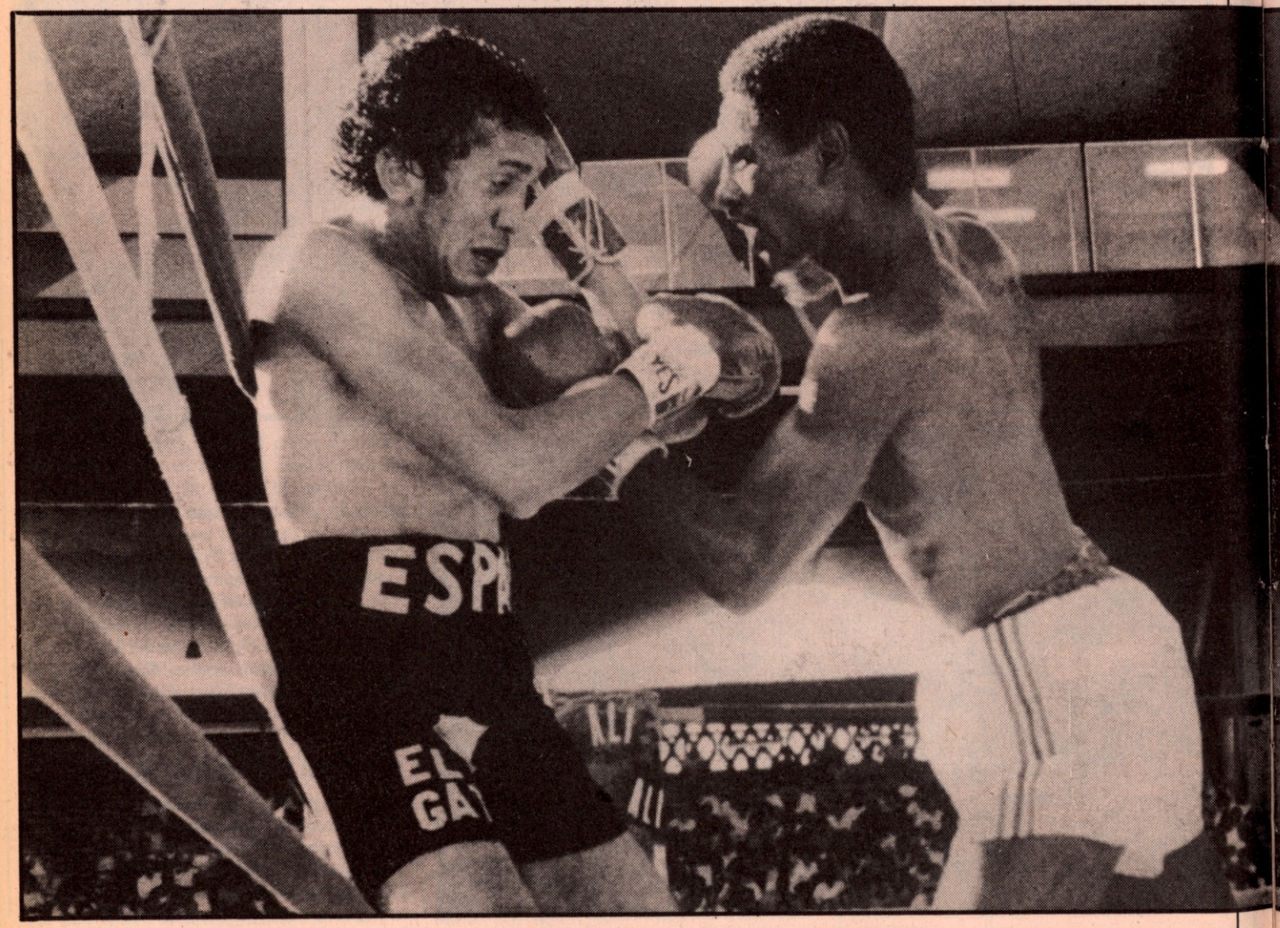
Higher than Rosario or Camacho? "The problem," said Sharnik, "in rating is not only how good you are, but who have you beaten? What experience have you had? It's not only necessary to see their talents, but they must be witnessed by their accomplishments."

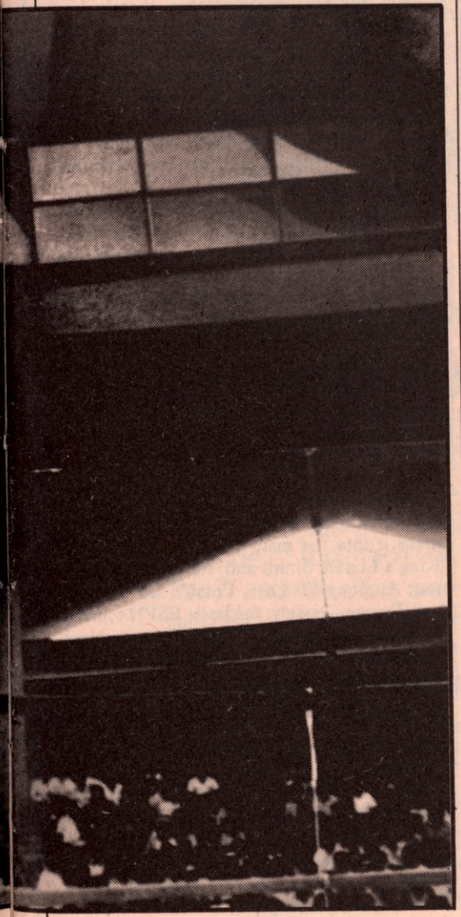
With the exception of Raosario's stunning two-round knockout of Edwin Viruet, most of Rosario's and Camacho's experience has been in the junior lightweight division. But more and more, as 130-pounders refuse to fight them, they will, of necessity, be fighting as full lightweights. And these fellows are the division's main hopes for the future.

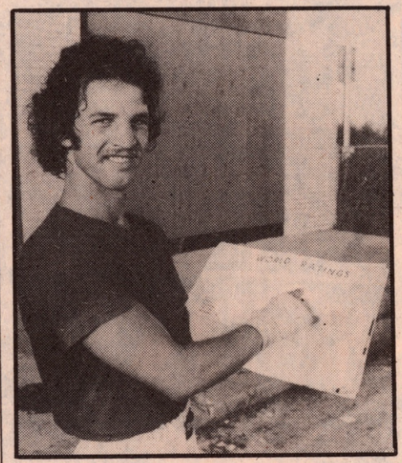












Clockwise from left: Espana was a punching bag for Kenty (here) and for Mancini (later); Mancini took Frias' WBA title in "most evenly fought first-round KO"; Howard Davis, Jr. wants a crack at Boom Boom—too bad WBA cretins won't rate him!; Bubba Busceme liked his rating in '74 but hasn't been lucky since.

Rosario is by far the harder puncher of the two, a neat, compact boxer who does not waste motion. If his hands stay healthy, there is no telling how good he will become.

Sharnik, however, believes that the dazzling Camacho may be even better. The New York southpaw, whose hand speed may be the best in boxing, seems to be growing stronger as he gets older and his punches are improving. He doesn't need a one-punch knockout since he is able to land so many combinations, all seemingly at just the right angles. If he does develop the big punch, he will probably find that on one short of a light heavyweight will fight him.

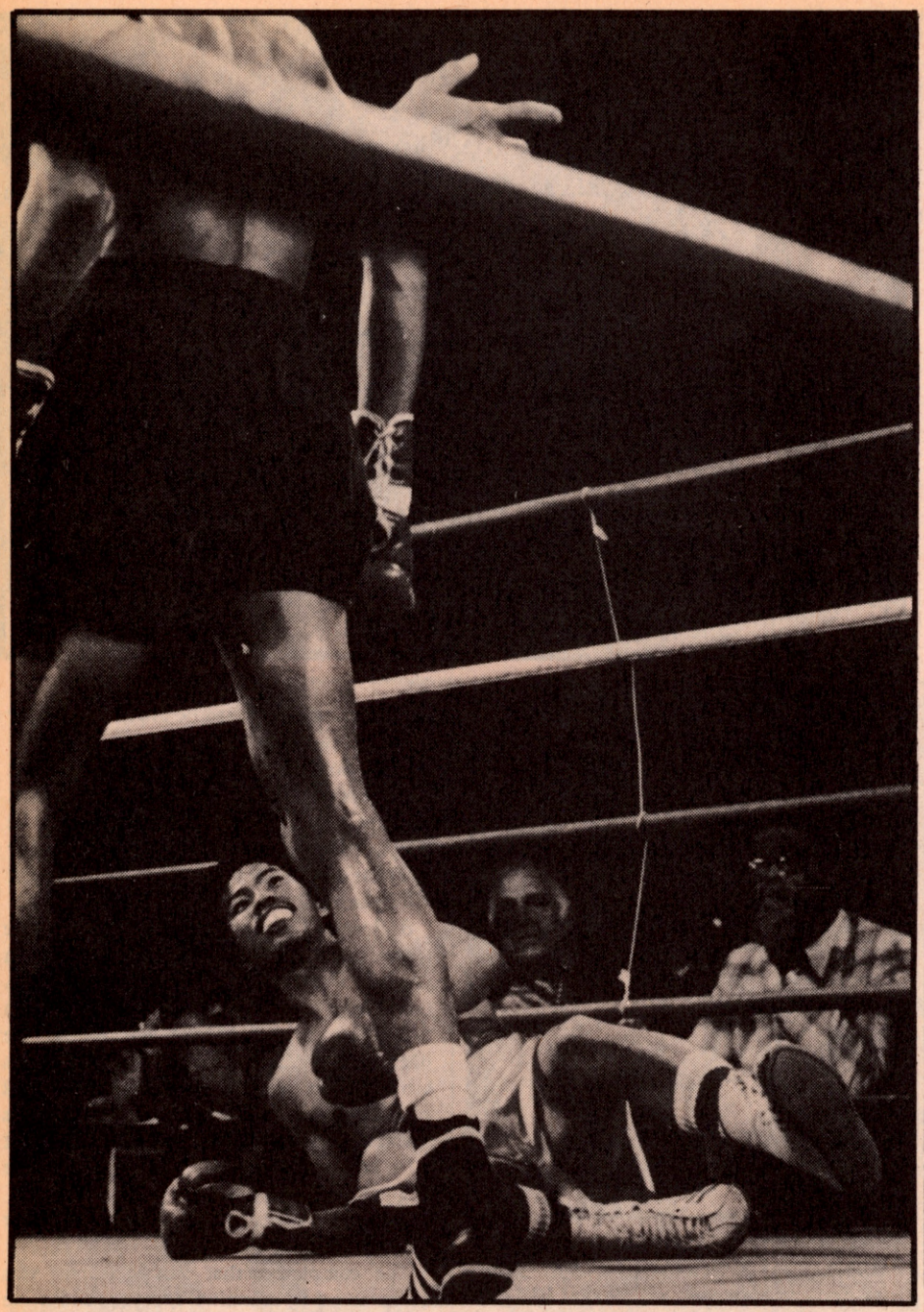
A Rosario-Camacho fight in two or three years could generate more money than Leonard-Duran I and II and Leonard-Hearns.

Sharnik rates Rosario and Camacho, not in that order, behind Munoz and Kenty. He likes another boxer who has yet to have his achievements match his talent: Howard Davis Jr., Davis, who once hired Aaron Pryor as his sparring partner, was next scheduled to fight in a preliminary on Pryor's big night with Arguello.

"Howard has enormous talent, but he never fights anybody," said Sharnik.

The complaints that Davis's career was mismanaged by Dennis Rappaport and Mike Jones are hollower now that he is being directed by Ed Gersh. The Whackos, at least, didn't make a prelim fighter of the 1976 Olympic champion, which is what Gersh has done, matching Davis with faded club fighters in bout after bout (Claude Noel, the 34-year-old Claudè Noel who in his prime could not beat Ernesto Espana and who was twice stopped by Lennox Blackmoore, was next in line for Davis after such stalwarts as Diablito Valdez, Anthony Collins, the featherweight James Martinez and Cocoa Sanchez were easily disposed of).

But Davis very carefully was being directed towards an early 1983 title fight against Mancini, a fight he could win but probably will be unprepared for. Mancini may not have the



The one and only lightweight champion walks away from a supine Andrew Ganigan.

raw talent, but he more than makes up for it in heart and desire. Dave Wolf, the champion's manager, is keeping his fingers crossed that Davis remains a viable opponent. "I can't believe we'll get $1 million for that," he said.

Sharnik, in fact, rates Davis behind John Montes, a tough newcomer handled by Jackie McCoy. The West Coast is famous for puffed-up fighters with 25-0 records who, at first confrontation with reality, fade into the smog. But Montes showed he was for real by coming on strong in the latter half of a 10-rounder with Kenty. The former champion, whose only loss was to now-welterweight Sean O'Grady, remains a major force in the division and one of its finest boxers. But Kenty has always had stamina problems and despite his obvious class may find it difficult to regain the title.

Sharnik would include Cornelius Boza-Edwards, the former WBC 130-pound champion, in his ratings, although the Ugandan looks more and more as if he is just one solid combination away from destruction. There are brighter prospects elsewhere, perhaps even on the Coast where Tony Baltazar and Irleis (Cubanito) Perez have accumulated puffed-up ratings.

"From here on, they're all interchangeable," said Sharnik, echoing a common assessment of the division.

Russell Peltz, the Philadelphia promoter, for example, thinks the division is marketable not because it has great talent, but "because everyone's of equal ability." Camacho and Rosario, Peltz said, were exceptions.

"I think the division is wide open, especially with Arguello moving up," said fight manager Lou Duva. "That's only because of Mancini. Any young kid can win the title. Mancini is just as good as what they've got, but he's no great champion."

But the depth of the division is impressive. As one contender fades, he is easily replaced. Gato Gonzalez, the Mexican who was such a star on the West Coast, came back from a long absence following an automobile crash and was knocked out by old-timer Vicente Mijares. Gonzalo Montellano, a Californian contender, must be eroding, as witnessed by his draw with Frankie Moultrie.

But along comes Greg Coverson, who scored a very impressive victory over Davey Lee Armstrong, and must now be inlcuded in everyone's top ten. And then there's Livingstone Bramble, who seldom knows what punch he's throwing next except that it probably is going to hurt someone; the still-capable Jose Luis Ramirez, who twice knocked down Arguello and who went the distance with Mancini, and Andy Ganigan, the southpaw Hawaiian puncher who knocked down Arguello once.

There's a club full of club fighters, too, like Frias, Noel, Bubba Busceme, Jerome Artis, Art Leon, and perhaps even a graduating junior lightweight or two, inlcuding the two champions, Sammy Serrano and Bazooka Limon, and possibly Johnny Verderosa. Ken (Bang Bang) Bogner, the Jersey kid with the Star of David on his trunks who crosses himself before each fight, has been mentioned as a possible future Mancini opponent. But outside of the names—Boom Boom vs. Bang Bang—this hardly figures to be much of a fight.

There are other kids who, perhaps like Coverson, need only a bit of TV exposure to make it into the main event class, like Don King's Lonnie Smith and Sterling MacPherson; Anthony Fletcher, Frank's kid brother; and Tyrone Crawley, the latest ESPN tournament winner. (Curtis Harris, the original ESPN champ, has apparently retired after his knockout loss to Munoz.) There are the Paul boys, unrelated, Jimmy Paul of Detroit and Melvin Paul of New Orleans, and I'm probably overlooking a few.

These are not great fighters, but the numbers are there. It doesn't take much matchmaking to pair off any two lightweights to come up with, in all probability, a pretty good fight. Good enough for television now. And maybe good enough for the Broadway Arena undercard 30 years ago.

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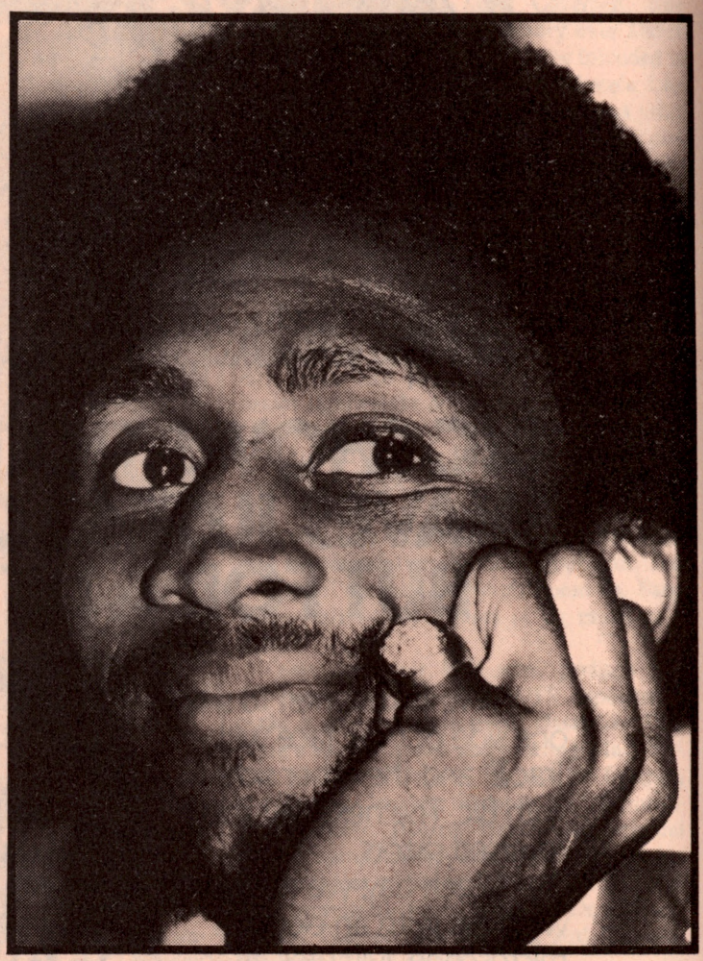
THE MULTI MILLION-DOLLAR BUILD UP:

AWACS VS MINUTEMAN



Sometimes, the best is saved for last. In this case, two of the most talked about, long-awaited matches in boxing will take place in the final month of the year: Wilfred Benitez vs. Thomas Hearns and Wilfredo Gomez vs. Lupe Pintor. Two pick-'em title fights on the same card.

AND THEN SOME CONVENTIONAL FORCES TO PUT UP A GOOD SHOW

WILFRED BENITEZ

Born, September 12, 1958, Bronx, New York. Weight, 140-154 lbs. Height, 5 ft. 10 in.

1973

Nov.	22—Hiram Santiago, San Juan	KO	1
Nov.	30—Jesse Torres, St. Martin	KO	2

1974

Jan.	7—Hector Amadis, San Juan	KO	4
Jan.	26—Joe "Hawk" York, St. Martin	KO	2
Feb.	18—Roberto Flanders, San Juan	KO	4
Apr.	1—Victor Mangual, San Juan	W	8
Apr.	30—Juan Disla, San Juan	KO	2
May	11—Sonny Lake, St. Martin	KO	1
June	21—Ives St. Jean, St. Martin	KO	1
June	26—Carlos Crispin, San Juan	KO	3
Aug.	31—"Easy Boy" Lake, St. Martin	KO	5
Sept.	16—Al Hughes, New York	W	8
Oct.	25—Terry Summerhays, New York	KO	6
Dec.	2—Lawrence Hafey, New York	W	8

1975

Jan.	4—Francisco Rodriguez, San Juan	KO	7
Feb.	8—Santiago Rosa, San Juan	KO	4
Mar.	31—Wilbur Seales, San Juan	KO	4
May	5—Santos Solis, San Juan	W	10
June	9—Angel Robinson Garcia, San Juan	W	10
June	28—Joe Henry, San Juan	KO	8
Aug.	1—Eyue Jeudy, St. Martin	KO	4
Sept.	1—Marcelino Alicia, San Juan	KO	2
Oct.	20—Omar Piton, New York	KO	6
Dec.	13—Chris Fernandez, San Juan	W	10

1976

Mar.	6—Antonio Cervantes, San Juan (Won World Junior Welterweight Title)	W	15
May	31—Emiliano Villa, San Juan (Retained World Junior Welterweight Title)	W	15
Oct.	16—Tony Petronelli, San Juan (Retained World Junior Welterweight Title)	KO	3

1977

Feb.	2—Harold Weston, New York	D	10
Mar.	6—Mel Dennis, Marion (U.S. Championship Tournament)	W	8
June	2—Roberto Gonzalez, St. Thomas	KO	1
July	1—"Easy Boy" Lake, St. Thomas	KO	1
Aug.	3—Guerrero Chavez, New York (Retained World Junior Welterweight Title)	KO	15
Nov.	18—Bruce Curry, New York	W	10

1978

Feb.	4—Bruce Curry, New York	W	10
Aug.	25—Randy Shields, New York	KO	6
Dec.	5—Vernon Lewis, New York	W	10

1979

Jan.	14—Carlos Palomino, San Juan (Won World Welterweight Title)	W	15
Mar.	25—Harold Weston, San Juan (Retained World Welterweight Title)	W	15
Nov.	30—Ray Leonard, Las Vegas (Lost World Welterweight Title)	KO by	15

1980

Mar.	9—Johnny Turner, Miami Beach	KO	9
Aug.	1—Tony Chiaverini, Las Vegas	KO	8
Dec.	12—Pete Ranzany, Sacramento	W	10

1981

May	23—Maurice Hope, Las Vegas (Won WBC Junior Middleweight Title)	KO	12
Nov.	13—Carlos Santos, Las Vegas (Retained WBC Junior Middleweight Title)	W	15

1982

Jan.	30—Roberto Duran, Las Vegas (Retained WBC Junior Middleweight Title)	W	15

THOMAS (HIT MAN) HEARNS

(The Motor City Cobra)

Born, October 18, 1958, Memphis, Tenn. Weight, 147 lbs. Height, 6 ft. 1 in. Managed by Emanuel Steward.

1977

Nov.	25—Jerome Hill, Detroit	KO	2
Dec.	7—Jerry Strickland, Mt. Clemens	KO	3
Dec.	16—Willie Wren, Detroit	KO	3

1978

Jan.	29—Anthony House, Detroit	KO	2
Feb.	10—Robert Adams, Detroit	KO	3
Feb.	17—Billy Goodman, Detroit	KO	2
Mar.	17—Ray Fields, Detroit	KO	2
Mar.	31—Tyrone Phelps, Saginaw	KO	3
June	8—Jimmy Rothwell, Detroit	KO	1
July	20—Raul Aguirre, Detroit	KO	3
Aug.	3—Eddie Marcelle, Detroit	KO	2
Sept.	7—Bruce Finch, Detroit	KO	3
Oct.	26—Pedro Rojas, Detroit	KO	1
Dec.	9—Rudy Barro, Detroit	KO	4

1979

Jan.	13—Clyde Gray, Detroit	KO	10
Jan.	31—Sammy Ruckard. Detroit	KO	8
Mar.	3—Segundo Murillo, Detroit	KO	8
Apr.	3—Alfonso Hayman, Philadelphia	W	10
May	20—Harold Weston Jr., Las Vegas	KO	6
June	28—Bruce Curry, Detroit	KO	3
Aug.	23—Mao DeLa Rosa, Detroit	KO	2
Sept.	22—Jose Figueroa, Los Angeles	KO	3
Oct.	18—Saensak Muangsurin, Detroit	KO	3
Nov.	30—Mike Colbert, New Orleans	W	10

1980

Feb.	3—Fighting Jim Richards, Las Vegas	KO	3
Mar.	2—Angel Espada, Detroit (Won Vacant USBA Welterweight Title)	KO	4
Mar.	31—Santiago Valdez, Las Vegas	KO	1
May	3—Eddie Gazo, Detroit	KO	1
Aug.	2—Pipino Cuevas, Detroit (Won WBA Welterweight Title)	KO	2
Nov.	29—William (Caveman) Lee, L. A.	Exh.	
Dec.	6—Luis Primera, Detroit (Retained WBA Welterweight Title)	KO	6

1981

Apr.	25—Randy Shields, Phoenix (Retained WBA Welterweight Title)	KO	13
June	25—Pablo Baez, Houston (Retained WBA Welterweight Title)	KO	4
Sept.	16—Ray Leonard, Las Vegas (For World Welterweight Title)	KO by	14
Dec.	11—Ernie Singletary, Nassau	W	10

1982

Feb.	27—Marcos Geraldo, Las Vegas	KO	1
July	25—Jeff McCracken, Detroit	KO	8

WILFREDO GOMEZ

Born, October 29, 1956, Las Monjas, Puerto Rico. Weight, 122-126 lbs. Height, 5 ft. 5 in.

1974

Nov.	16—Jacinto Fuentes, Panama City	D	6
Dec.	21—Mario Hernandez, San Jose	KO	1

1975

Feb.	16—Jorge Bernal, Panama City	KO	1
Mar.	2—Antonio DaSilva, Panama City	KO	2
May	3—Jose Jimenez, Panama City	KO	1
June	21—Jacinto Fuentes, Panama City	KO	2
Aug.	2—Clotilde Garcia, Managua	KO	2
Sept.	19—Joe Guevara, San Juan	KO	6
Dec.	20—Andres Hernandez, San Juan	KO	8

1976

Feb.	20—Cornell Hall, San Juan	KO	3
Apr.	5—Rick Quijano, San Juan	KO	1
May	8—Sak Lempthong, San Juan	KO	3
July	19—Albert Davila, San Juan	KO	9
Aug.	16—Tony Rocha, San Juan	KO	2
Oct.	11—Jose Murillo, San Juan	KO	4

1977

Feb.	12—John Meza, San Juan	KO	2
May	21—Dong-Kyun Yum, San Juan (Won WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	12
July	11—Raul Tirado, San Juan (Retained WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	5

1978

Jan.	19—Royal Kobayashi, Kitakyushu (Retained WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	3
Apr.	8—Juan A. Lopez, San Juan (Retained WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	7
June	2—Sakad Porntavee, Korat (Retained WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	3
Sept.	9—Leo Cruz, San Juan (Retained WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	13
Oct.	28—Carlos Zarate, San Juan (Retained WBC Super Bantamweight Title)	KO	5

1979

Mar.	9—Nestor (Baba) Jimenez, New York (Won Vacant World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	5
May	21—Nelson Cruz Tamariz, New York	KO	2
June	16—Julio Hernandez, San Juan (Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	5
Sept.	28—Carlos Mendoza, Las Vegas (Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	10
Oct.	26—Nicky Perez, New York (Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	5

1980

Feb.	3—Ruben Valdez, Las Vegas (Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	6
Apr.	27—Eddie Ndukwu, San Juan	KO	4
Aug.	22—Derrik Holmes, Las Vegas (Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	5
Dec.	13—Jose Cervantes, Miami (Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)	KO	3

1981

June	20—Raul Silva, San Juan	KO	3
Aug.	21—Salvador Sanchez, Las Vegas (For World Featherweight Title)	KO by	8

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1983

Mar. 27—Juan (Kid) Meza, Atlantic City ..... KO 6
(Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)
June 11—Juan Antonio Lopez, Las Vegas ..... KO 10
(Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)
Aug. 18—Roberto Rubaldino, San Juan ..... KO 8
(Retained World Junior Featherweight Title)

LUPE PINTOR

(Jose Guadalupe Pintor)

Born, April 13, 1955, Cuajimalpa, Mexico. Weight, 118 lbs. Height, 5 ft. 4½ in.

1974

Mar. 2—Manuel Vasquez, Tijuana ..... KO 2
May 7—Francisco Nunez, Tijuana ..... W 10
July 24—Manuel Castaneda, Tijuana ..... KO 4
Sept. 10—Salvador Martinez, Mexico city .... W 10
Oct. 16—Margarito Lozano, Mexico City L disq 4
Dec. 2—Juan Diaz, Mexico City ..... KO 2

1975

Feb. 19—Martin Valencia, Mexico City .... KO 6
Mar. 10—Andres Reyes, Durango ..... W 10
Apr. 16—Rocky Mijares, Torreon ..... KO 7
July 25—Roberto Alvarez, Guadalajara .... KO 1
Sept. 20—Willie Jensen, Inglewood ..... KO 7
Oct. 11—Alvaro Lopez, Guadalajara ..... KO 2
Dec. 4—Catalino Flores, Inglewood ..... KO 2

1976

Feb. 25—Albert Davila, Inglewood ..... L 10
Mar. 27—Jose Luis Cruz, Tijuana ..... KO 9
June 2—Gallito Castro, Tijuana ..... KO 1
June 26—Manuel Killer, Mexicali ..... KO 2
July 31—Samuel Machorro, Mexico City .... W 10
Oct. 2—Jose Rosa, Los Angeles ..... KO 6
Nov. 13—Nacho Beltran, Culiacan ..... KO 3

1977

Jan. 1—Jose Luis Cazares, Torreon ..... KO 1
Jan. 29—Maestrito San Martin, Reynosa ... KO 7
Feb. 26—Evaristo Perez, Mexico City ..... KO 1
Mar. 11—Orlando Amores, Culiacan ..... KO 1
Apr. 12—Gabe Cantera, San Antonio ..... KO 7
May 21—Enrique Brown, Madero ..... KO 1
June 17—Eduardo Limon, Reynosa ..... KO 1
July 2—Ramon Guillen, Mexico City ..... KO 1
Aug. 20—Andres Torres, Inglewood ..... KO 4
Oct. 8—Tony Rocha, Los Angeles ..... KO 4
Nov. 8—Baby Kid Chocolate, San Antonio . KO 2
Dec. 15—Joaquin Martinez, Matamoros .... KO 2

1978

Jan. 30—David Vasquez, San Antonio ..... KO 2
Feb. 25—Gerald Hayes, Inglewood ..... W 10
Mar. 31—Antonio Becerra, Mazatlan ..... W 10
Apr. 22—Leo Cruz, San Juan ..... L 10
June 30—Jose Luis Soto, Sinaloa ..... L 10
July 22—Richard Rozelle, Houston ..... KO 4
Sept. 26—Roger Bucheli, Houston ..... KO 2
Nov. 11—Agustin Vega, Matamoros ..... KO 3

1979

Mar. 10—Livio Nolasco, Los Angeles ..... KO 6
May 1—Rodrigo Gonzalez, Houston ..... KO 3
June 3—Carlos Zarate, Las Vegas ..... W 15
(Won WBC Bantamweight Title)
Oct. 5—Auscencio Melendez, Reynosa .... KO 1
Oct. 29—Jose Luis Soto, Ciudad Obregon ... W 10
Dec. 29—Manuel Vasquez, Hermosillo .. KO by 6

1980

Feb. 9—Alberto Sandoval, Los Angeles ... KO 12
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)
June 11—Eijiro Murata, Tokyo ..... D 15
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)
Sept. 19—Johnny Owen, Los Angeles ..... KO 12
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)
Dec. 19—Albert Davila, Las Vegas ..... W 15
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)

1981

Feb. 22—Jose Uziga, Houston ..... W 15
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)
July 26—Jovito Rengifo, Las Vegas ..... KO 8
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)
Sept. 22—Hurricane Teru, Nagoya ..... KO 15
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)

1982

June 3—Seung-Hoon Lee, Los Angeles. ..... KO 11
(Retained WBC Bantamweight Title)

THOMAS HEARNS

Hearns started fast, then faded from Weston's body attack in this May 20, 1979 bout. A thumb in the eye ended Weston's evening in the sixth round.

●

Became Hearns' 20th victim, falling in the third round, June 28, 1979.

●

In his second defense of the WBA title, Hearns stopped Shields in the 13th round.

●

In a welterweight classic, Leonard came from behind to halt Hearns 1:45 into the 14th round, September 16, 1981.

●

Has the longest reach of any welterweight. At 6'1", is usually taller than most opponents. Owns a powerful jab and devastating right cross, capable of knocking an opponent flat with one shot.

●

Attempts to knock men out with singular shots, rather than setting them up with use of his jab. Still has not shown an ability to tie a man up, a

COMMON OPPONENTS

HAROLD WESTON, JR.

BRUCE CURRY

RANDY SHIELDS

SUGAR RAY LEONARD

STRENGTHS

WEAKNESSES

WILFRED BENITEZ

The two battled to a 10-round draw on February 2, 1977 and on March 25, 1979, Benitez outpointed Weston over 15 rounds.

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Dropped and nearly stopped by Curry on November 18, 1977, Benitez hung on to win the 10-round decision. In a rematch less than three months later, Benitez won easily over the 10-round distance.

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Benitez was at his best, halting Shields in the sixth round, August 25, 1978.

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Was TKO'd with just six seconds remaining in the fight, November 30, 1979. It remains Benitez' only loss.

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Among the classiest, most gifted pure boxers of all time. Is nearly impossible to hit with a solid combination. Can fight off the ropes as few fighters ever have been able to. Sharp hitter. Punches in combination extremely well.

Never dedicated in training. Lacks a knockout wallop. Has been decked by Bruce Curry and Sugar Ray Leonard. Also was staggered by Vernon Lewis.

deficit which may have cost him a victory against Leonard.

35-1, 32 KNOCKOUTS

WILFREDO GOMEZ

Had trouble with the clever boxer until stopping him on a cut in round nine, July 19, 1976.

Perhaps Gomez' biggest victory as he stops the reigning bantamweight king in round five, October 28, 1978.

Halted his future title counterpart on September 9, 1978, in the 13th round, the longest Gomez has ever had to fight.

Exceptional balance, the ability to throw punches in bunches and crushing power in both hands.

At 5'5", usually at a height disadvantage. Does not have the sturdiest chin among world title-holders. Is weakened in making 122 pounds.

35-1-1 (35 KOs)

OVERALL RECORD

COMMON OPPONENTS

ALBERT DAVILA

CARLOS ZARATE

LEO CRUZ

STRENGTHS

WEAKNESSES

OVERALL RECORD

43-1-1, 26 KNOCKOUTS

LUPE PINTOR

Struggled to narrowly outpoint Davila over 15 rounds on December 19, 1980.

Won the title from his stablemate on June 3, 1979, via decision.

Was decisioned by Cruz over 10 rounds on April 22, 1978.

Gets stronger as a fight goes on. Throws powerful combinations with both hands.

Chin can be reached. Was on the floor as late as last June 3rd, sent there by Seung-Hoon Lee, whom he came back to stop in the 11th round.

48-5-1 (38 KOs)

RINGSIDE REPORTS

FIGHT OF THE MONTH

FLETCHER-GREEN
USBA Middleweight Title

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—Let's face it, Frank (The Animal) Fletcher and James (Hardrock) Green are two of the baddest, come-to-rumble-dudes this side of Attila the Hun. The moment their match for Frank's USBA belt was announced, serious fight fans throughout the planet started to salivate in anticipation of the meanest throwdown since King Kong squared-off with Godzilla. Those expecting severe violence were not disappointed. The Animal—bloodied (again), battered and behind on two score cards—rallied to stop a suddenly crumbled Hardrock at 1:12 of the sixth. Both the capacity crowd at the Sands and the millions of tubers across the nation got their money's worth. It was as advertised—a war!

Green opened like a dragster burning rubber through the starting lights, doing everything right, while Fletcher did everything wrong. Green showed no fear, no respect. He simply charged straight into the Animal, bent on destruction.

It's probably only natural for a trainer to try and teach a masochistic pupil like Frank a few of the finer points, but too much fancy stuff can ruin a brawler's game. And that's exactly what happened the first three rounds. The Animal actually tried to box, jab, and move, avoid confrontation. It almost got him killed.

While Fletcher, 160, was doing his best "Gentleman" Jim Corbett imitation, Green, 157½, piled in like a compact Joe Frazier. He bobbed and weaved under Frank's reach and slammed his left hook into his side, often bringing the right behind it—thumping the Philadelphia southpaw hard and clean. Several times Fletcher was banged into the ropes and forced to absorb punishment as Green doubled up with his hooks—first to the body then to the head.

Green's spectacular success continued in the second. His left-to-the-side, right-to-the-head combo was working like a charm. His hands seemed faster, his battle plan perfect. An upset seemed very possible.

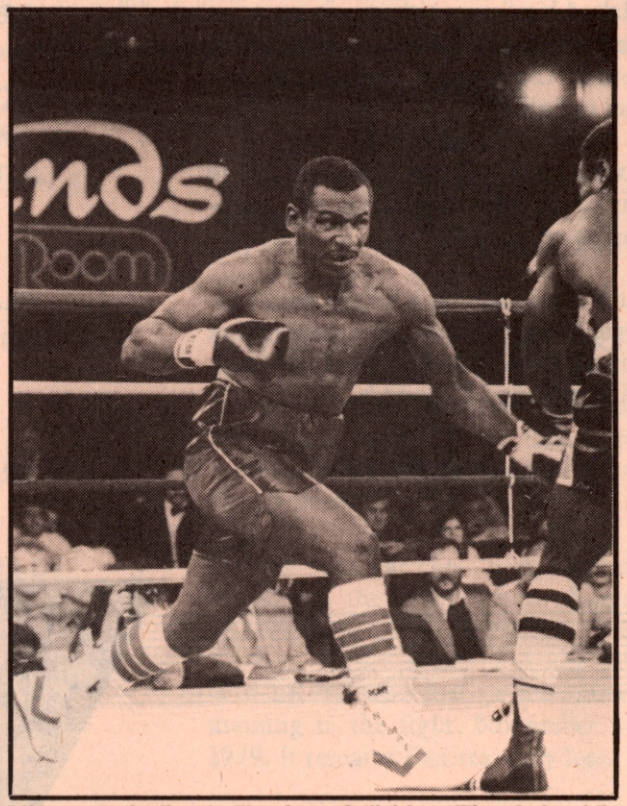
Green's charge reached its climax in the third when he planted his best left hook flush on Fletcher's cheek. The power of the blow sent Frank into a semi-sitting position, his rump resting on the bottom rope. Although he would be the last person to admit it, the rope was the only thing that saved the Animal from a sure trip to the canvas.

"Don't nothin' save me, but me," bragged Frank later.

Nevertheless, Green pounced on Fletcher like a starving hobo on a sandwich, raining punches like a crazy man. Somehow, Fletcher survived, and like Bruce Banner changing into The Hulk, the *real* Animal finally appeared. He forgot boxing and became the beast. The third had been a big round for Green, but at the bell Frank had recovered and was starting to take the fight seriously.

"I wanted to see how strong he was. See if he could get me in trouble, which he did," explained

FIGHTER OF THE MONTH



His name is Frank Fletcher. Call him "The Animal." Label him explosive. In front of a national television audience, Fletcher took on red-hot, fired-up James "Hardrock" Green in a scheduled 12-rounder for Fletcher's USBA middleweight crown. After taking a heavy pounding for the first three rounds, Fletcher released "The Animal," cut up Green, and won on a sixth-round TKO. The victory, which made Fletcher THE RING's number one contender to Marvin Hagler's title, also made him "Fighter of the Month"

RING'S INTERNATIONAL RATINGS

We're sick and tired of being sick and tired. About the WBA, that is. The fact that they have a new president, Gilberto Mendoza of Venezuela, and a new "Special Consultant," Pepe Cordero of Puerto Rico, should make no difference in their "business as usual during altercations" policy.

At the recent San Juan jolly-hop where Mendoza pledged to "Work for this Organization and work for the benefit of everyone who has participated in this convention," two of the most pressing pieces of business were the raising of the sanctioning fees and the consideration of a rule whereby any fighter who came in overweight would forfeit 10% of his purse to the WBA. Maybe that's why Pepe Cordero carries such a large valise.

But rather than dwell on "Mendoza's Revenge," it is the WBA's latest ratings, through October, that come in for special citation for services below the call of duty. Their lightweight ratings have a 135-pound named Deuk-Koo Kim as their number one-ranked contender. Nowhere amongst their top ten can the name Howard Davis be found. Maybe he poses too big a threat to the new wunderkind of boxing, "Boom Boom" Mancini.

Their heavyweight ratings are an even bigger—or heavier, if you will—joke. Their titleholder, Mike Weaver, has made less appearances than Judge Crater, and now they have the affrontry to put James Broad in their top ten listing. Add to that the continual inclusion of such well-known names as Sang-Hyun Kim and Sang-Ho Lee as the numbers one and three-ranked junior welters (whatever happened to last month's favorite sun, Kayo Kameda?), In-Chul Baek as the number three-ranked junior middle, Tae-Jin Moon as the number two-ranked junior light, Hwan-Kil Yuh as the number two-ranked feather and Chung-Kwon Soon as the number two-ranked junior bantam and, coupled with Venezuelans, Argentines and Panamanians peppered throughout their ratings, you get true picture of just whose good Sr. Mendoza is "working for." It sure as hell ain't boxing's!

BERT RANDOLPH SUGAR

RING RATINGS 40 YEARS AGO

HEAVYWEIGHTS
World Champion
Joe Louis, Detroit, Mich.

1. Bob Pastor, Saratoga, N.Y.
2. Billy Conn, Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Melio Bettina, Beacon, N.Y.
4. Turkey Thompson, Los Angeles, Calif.
5. Pat Valentino, San Francisco, Calif.
6. Tami Mauriello, New York, N.Y.
7. Lee Savold, Paterson, N.J.
8. Tony Musto, Chicago, Illinois
9. Roscoe Toles, Detroit, Mich.
10. Arturo Godoy, Santiago, Chile

LIGHTWEIGHTS
World Champion
Sammy Angott, Philadelphia, Pa.

1. Allie Stolz, Newark, N.J.
2. Beau Jack, Holyoke, Mass.
3. Willie Joyce, Chicago, Ill.
4. Juan Zurita, Mexico City, Mexico
5. Maxie Shapiro, New York, N.Y.
6. Bob Montgomery, Philadelphia, Pa.
7. Chester Rico, New York, N.Y.
8. Tippy Larkin, Garfield, N.J.
9. Richie Lemos, Los Angeles
10. Joey Peralta, Douglas, Arizona

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
World Champion
Gus Lesnevich, Cliffside, N.J.

1. Jimmy Bivins, Cleveland, Ohio
2. Anton Christoforidis, Greece
3. Ken Overlin, Decatur, Illinois
4. Billy Soose, Farrell, Pa.
5. Tommy Tucker, New York, N.Y.
6. Johnny Colan, New York, N.Y.
7. Alabama Kid, Concord, Ga.
8. Booker Beckwith, Chicago, Ill.
9. Freddie Mills, England.
10. Jack Coggins, San Diego, Calif.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
World Champion
Chalky Wright, Los Angeles, Calif.

1. Willie Pep, Hartford, Conn.
2. Mike Raffa, Weirton, Pa.
3. Sal Bartolo, Boston, Mass.
4. Lulu Costantino, New York, N.Y.
5. Pedro Hernandez, Puerto Rico
6. Benny Goldberg, Detroit, Mich.
7. Carlos Chavez, Los Angeles, Calif.
8. Jackie Callura, Hamilton, Ont.
9. Davey Crawford, New York, N.Y.
10. Mike Belloise, Bronx, N.Y.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
World Champion
Tony Zale, Gary, Indiana

1. Ezzard Charles, Cincinnati, Ohio
2. Georgie Abrams, New York, N.Y.
3. Ernie Vigh, Carteret, N.J.
4. Tony Martin, Milwaukee, Wisc.
5. Coley Welch, Portland, Me.
6. Eddie Booker, San Diego, Calif.
7. Fred Apostoli, San Francisco, Calif.
8. Nate Bolden, Chicago, Illinois
9. Kid Tunero, Cuba
10. Charley Burley, Pittsburgh, Pa.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
World Champion
Manuel Ortiz, Los Angeles, Calif.

1. Lou Salica, Brooklyn, N.Y.
2. Kui Kong Young, Hawaii
3. Rush Dalma, Philippines
4. Mario Morales, Havana, Cuba
5. Jim Brady, Dundee, Scotland
6. Ham Wiloby, Trinidad
7. Stan Mott, Australia
8. Leonardo Lopez, Hollywood, Calif.
9. Tony Olivera, San Francisco, Calif.
10. Luis Castillo, Mexico City

WELTERWEIGHTS
World Champion
Freddie (Red) Cochrane, Elizabeth, N.J.

1. Ray Robinson, New York, N.Y.
2. Fritzie Zivic, Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Henry Armstrong, St. Louis, Mo.
4. Jackie Wilson, Los Angeles, Calif.
5. Marty Servo, Schenectady, N.Y.
6. Cocoa Kid, Puerto Rico
7. Freddie Archer, Newark, N.J.
8. Danny Kapilow, Bronx, N.Y.
9. Jimmy Edgar, Detroit, Mich.
10. Izzy Jannazzo, Brooklyn, N.Y.

FLYWEIGHTS
World Champion
Title Vacant

1. Jackie Paterson, Scotland
2. Peter Kane, Lancaster, England
3. Joe Curran, England
4. Little Dado, Philippines
5. Sammy Reynolds, England
6. Frankie Bonser, England
7. Humberto Espinoza, Cuba
8. Paddy Ryan, Lancaster, Eng.
9. Norman Lewis, Wales
10. Lupe Cordoza, Sacramento, Calif.

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GENUINE

Budweiser Presents The Ring International Ratings

THE WORLD'S RENOWNED BUDWEISER LAGER BEER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

LARRY HOLMES** . . . . . Easton, Pa.
1 **Michael Dokes** . . . . . Akron, Ohio
2 **Mike Weaver*** . . . . . Los Angeles, Calif.
3 **Gerrie Coetzee** . . . . . South Africa
4 **Renaldo Snipes** . . . . . Yonkers, N.Y.
5 **Trevor Berbick** . . . . . Halifax, Canada
6 **Greg Page** . . . . . Louisville, Ky.
7 **Gerry Cooney** . . . . . Huntington, N.Y.
8 **Pinklon Thomas** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
9 **Randall (Tex) Cobb** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
10 **Tim Witherspoon** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
11. James Tillis, 12. John Tate, 13. S.T. Gordon, 14. Leon Spinks, 15. Bernardo Mercado, 16. Larry Frazier, 17. John Denis

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

DWIGHT BRAXTON** . . . . . Camden, N.J.
1 **Michael Spinks*** . . . . . St. Louis, Mo.
2 **Eddie Mustafa Muhammad** . . . Brooklyn, N.Y.
3 **Matthew Saad Muhammad** . . . . . Phila., Pa.
4 **S.T. Gordon** . . . . . Las Vegas, Nev.
5 **Eddie Davis** . . . . . Freeport, N.Y.
6 **Jerry Celestine** . . . . . New Orleans, La.
7 **John Davis** . . . . . Hempstead, N.Y.
8 **James Scott** . . . . . Rahway, N.J.
9 **Carlos DeLeon** . . . . . Puerto Rico
10 **Marvin Johnson** . . . . . Indianapolis, Ind.
11. John Odhiambo, 12. Lotte Mwale, 13. Oscar Rivadeneyra, 14. Niva Tofaeoni, 15. Willie Edwards, 16. Bashiru Ali, 17. Young Joe Louis, 18. Jose Flores, 19. Vonzell Johnson, 20. Jerry Martin, 21. Willie Shannon

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MARVIN HAGLER . . . . . Brockton, Mass.
1 **Frank Fletcher** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
2 **Tony Sibson** . . . . . England
3 **Mustafa Hamsho** . . . . . Syria
4 **Dwight Davison** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
5 **Thomas Hearns** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
6 **Fulgencio Obelmejias** . . . . . Venezuela
7 **Ray Seales** . . . . . Tacoma, Wash.
8 **Wilford Scypion** . . . . . Port Arthur, Texas
9 **James Green** . . . . . Irvington, N.J.
10 **Bobby Czyz** . . . . . Wanaque, N.J.
11. Bernard Mays, 12. James Kinchen, 13. Vinnie Curto, 14. Mark Holmes, 15. Ronnie Harris, 16. (Tie) Ted Sanders, Alex Ramos, 18. Curtis Parker, 19. Juan Roldan, 20. (Tie) Ernie Singletary, Robbie Sims

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1 **Wilfred Benitez**** . . . . . Puerto Rico
2 **Thomas Hearns** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
3 **Tony Ayala, Jr.** . . . . . San Antonio, Tex.
4 **Davey Moore*** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
5 **Carlos Herrera** . . . . . Argentina
6 **Ayub Kalule** . . . . . Uganda
7 **Gary Guiden** . . . . . Muncie, Ind.
8 **Clint Jackson** . . . . . Nashville, Tenn.
9 **James Green** . . . . . Irvington, N.J.
10 **Mike McCallum** . . . . . New York
11. Charlie Weir, 12. Herol Graham, 13. Luigi Minchillo, 14. Kirkland Laing, 15. Roberto Duran, 16. Carlos Santos, 17. Walter Gomez, 18. Buster Drayton, 19. Mario Maldonado, 20. Sean Mannion

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

RAY LEONARD . . . . . Palmer Park, Md.
1 **Milton McCrory** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
2 **Donald Curry** . . . . . Ft. Worth, Texas
3 **Roger Stafford** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
4 **Marlon Starling** . . . . . Hartford, Conn.
5 **Pipino Cuevas** . . . . . Mexico
6 **Kevin Howard** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
7 **Colin Jones** . . . . . England
8 **Bobby Joe Young** . . . . . Steubenville, Ohio
9 **Mauricio Bravo** . . . . . Venezuela
10 **Elio Diaz** . . . . . Venezuela
11. Randy Shields, 12. Pete Ranzany, 13. Mark Harris, 14. Robert Sawyer, 15. Hans Henrik Palm, 16. Luis Primera, 17. Kirkland Laing, 18. Sean O'Grady, 19. Chung-Jae Hwang, 20. Akio Kameda

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

AARON PRYOR* . . . . . Cincinnati, Ohio
1 **Leroy Haley**** . . . . . Las Vegas, Nevada
2 **Saoul Mamby** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
3 **Johnny Bumphus** . . . . . Clementon, N.J.
4 **Steve Hearon** . . . . . Houston, Texas
5 **Ronnie Shields** . . . . . Port Arthur, Texas
6 **Sang-Hyun Kim** . . . . . Korea
7 **Guillermo Fernandez** . . . . . Venezuela
8 **Ubaldo Sacco** . . . . . Argentina
9 **Billy Costello** . . . . . Kingston, N.Y.
10 **Willie Rodriguez** . . . . . Allentown, Pa.
11. Bruce Curry, 12. Adriano Marrero, 13. Dujuan Johnson, 14. Patrizio Oliva, 15. Monroe Brooks, 16. Jo Kimpuani, 17. Antonio Cervantes, 18. Juan Jose Gimenez, 19. Clint McKenzie, 20. (Tie) Miguel Montilla, Steve Early

How **The Ring** International Ratings Panel works: Boxing authorities from all six major continents have submitted their ballots—marked from one to ten to indicate their rankings under **The Ring**'s champion—to reflect their evaluation of the relative challengers' positions as of October 18, 1982. Their ballots were then weighted with scores of from ten (for a first-place vote) to one (for a tenth-place vote) and totaled up to provide the final standings. After the top ten were tabulated, those other fighters receiving votes were then listed in order, according to the number of votes received, from 11th on.

(AS OF OCTOBER 18, 1982)

The names following each division received votes (in order of their listing)
***WBA champion** ****WBC champion**

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALEXIS ARGUELLO** . . . . . Nicaragua
1 **Aaron Pryor** . . . . . Cincinnati, Ohio
2 **Ray Mancini*** . . . . . Youngstown, Ohio
3 **Edwin Rosario** . . . . . Puerto Rico
4 **Howard Davis, Jr.** . . . . . Glen Cove, N.Y.
5 **Andy Ganigan** . . . . . Honolulu, Ha.
6 **Ruben Munoz** . . . . . Odessa, Texas
7 **Gonzalo Montellano** . . . . . Bakersfield, Calif.
8 **Hilmer Kenty** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
9 **Greg Coverson** . . . . . Kalamazoo, Mich.
10 **Livingstone Bramble** . . . . . Passaic, N.J.
11. Claude Noel, 12. Orlando Romero, 13. Art Frias, 14. James Busceme, 15. John Montes, 16. Jose Luis Ramirez, 17. Davey Armstrong 18. Jimmy Paul, 19. Ernesto Espana, 20. Barry Michael, 21. Ray Cattouse

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

SAMUEL SERRANO* . . . . . Puerto Rico
1 **Cornelius Boza-Edwards** . . . . . England
2 **Edwin Rosario** . . . . . Puerto Rico
3 **Rafael (Bazooka) Limon**** . . . . . Mexico
4 **Hector Camacho** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
5 **Rolando Navarrete** . . . . . Honolulu, Ha.
6 **Bobby Chacon** . . . . . Pacoima, Calif.
7 **Johnny De La Rosa** . . . . . Miami, Fla.
8 **Jorge Alvarado** . . . . . Panama
9 **Chung Il-Choi** . . . . . Korea
10 **John Verderosa** . . . . . Staten Island, N.Y.
11. Ruben Munoz, 12. Carlos Pinango, 13. Il-Bok Lee, 14. Ildelfonso Bethelmy, 15. Oscar Arnal, 16. Enrique Maxwell, 17. Roger Mayweather, 18. Benedicto Villablanca, 19. Tae-Jin Moon, 20. Mario Vizcaya, 21. Frankie Baltazar, 22. Leonardo Moreno, 23. Alfredo Paiva, 24. Reinaldo Hidalgo

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

EUSEBIO PEDROZA* . . . . . Panama
1 **Juan LaPorte**** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
2 **Wilfredo Gomez** . . . . . Puerto Rico
3 **Rocky Lockridge** . . . . . Paterson, N.J.
4 **Ruben Castillo** . . . . . Bakersfield, Calif.
5 **Jose Caba** . . . . . Dominican Republic
6 **Mario Miranda** . . . . . Colombia
7 **Pat Cowdell** . . . . . England
8 **Azumah Nelson** . . . . . Ghana
9 **Marcos Villasana** . . . . . Mexico
10 **Jackie Beard** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
11. Paul Ferrari, 12. Bernard Taylor, 13. Irving Mitchell, 14. Reyes Gonzalez, 15. Tony Santana, 16. Augustin Martinez, 17. Bernabe Montanez, 18. Rocky Garcia, 19. Angel Mayor, 20. (Tie) Pajaro Marquez, Hwan-Kil Yuh

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 122 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

WILFREDO GOMEZ** . . . . . Puerto Rico
1 **Leo Cruz*** . . . . . Dominican Republic
2 **Jaime Garza** . . . . . Los Angeles, Calif.
3 **Mike Ayala** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
4 **Sergio Palma** . . . . . Argentina
5 **Lupe Pintor** . . . . . Mexico
6 **Ricardo Cardona** . . . . . Colombia
7 **Felipe Orozco** . . . . . Colombia
8 **Roberto Rubaldino** . . . . . Mexico
9 **Juan (Kid) Meza** . . . . . Los Angeles, Calif.
10 **Soon-Hyun Chung** . . . . . Korea
11. Carmelo Negron, 12. Felix Rodriguez, 13. Oscar Muniz, 14. Antonio de la Paz, 15. Salvatore Melluzo, 16. Vilchit Muangroi-Et, 17. Joaquin Acuna, 18. (Tie) Jorge Lujan, Johnny Carter, 20. Bobby Berna

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

JEFF CHANDLER* . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
1 **Lupe Pintor**** . . . . . Mexico
2 **Chul-Ho Kim** . . . . . Korea
3 **Albert Davila** . . . . . Los Angeles, Calif.
4 **Oscar Muniz** . . . . . Los Angeles, Calif.
5 **Edgar Roman** . . . . . Caracas, Venezuela
6 **Jiro Watanabe** . . . . . Japan
7 **Freddie Jackson** . . . . . Houston, Texas
8 **Eijiro Murata** . . . . . Japan
9 **Kiko Bejines** . . . . . Mexico
10 **Johnny Carter** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
11. Miguel Iriarte, 12. Jose Canizales, 13. Jaime Garza, 14. Rafael Orono, 15. Richard Sandoval, 16. Seung-Hoon Lee, 17. Carlos Bejarano, 18. Jose R. Narvaez, 19. (Tie) Jorge Ramirez, Harold Petty

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

FREDDIE CASTILLO** . . . . . Mexico
1 **Santos Laciar*** . . . . . Argentina
2 **Prudencio Cardona** . . . . . Colombia
3 **Hilario Zapata** . . . . . Panama
4 **Katsuo Tokashiki** . . . . . Japan
5 **Tadashi Tomori** . . . . . Japan
6 **German Torres** . . . . . Mexico
7 **Antonio Avelar** . . . . . Mexico
8 **Hwan Jin Kim** . . . . . Korea
9 **Juan Herrera** . . . . . Mexico
10 **Jung-Koo Chang** . . . . . Korea
11. Rafael Pedroza, 12. Eleoncio Mercedes, 13. Candido Tellez, 14. Amado Ursua, 15. (Tie) Lupe Madera, Gustavo Ballas, 17. Gabriel Bernal, 18. Luis Ibarra, 19. Alonso Gonzalez, 20. Stephen Muchoki, 21. (Tie) Roberto Ramirez, Koki Ishii

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Fletcher. "I hate to say this, but it's the truth—I always like it better when the pain comes. I get off better."

Fletcher threw his attack into overdrive in the fourth. He had his left uppercut ("The Green punch") finding the mark repeatedly. Green slugged back, but was in danger of being overwhelmed by Frankie's ripping uppercuts. Then, just to show that he wasn't finished yet, Hardrock stalled the Animal's advance with a hard right to the body that started a round-closing rally.

Ferocity took on a new meaning in the fifth. Both gave and received an alarming amount of punishment. Both sprang leaks around their left eyes. Green's laceration was far worse and definitely played a psychological role in his defeat.

The cut wasn't the only unlucky break for Green in the fifth. During one of his better moments, with Fletcher under heavy pressure, referee Frank Cappuccino took time out to give James a low-blow warning—and Frank a rest.

"I was trying to step in and finish him off, but the referee stepped in and it threw off my momentum," complained Green with some justification.

The Hardrock was never the same again. Fletcher practically climbed up his chest and tore his head off in the sixth. The Animal cut loose with perhaps fifty unanswered punches as Green cowered in his corner, his mother yelling "Stop the fight" from ringside.

A lot of Fletcher's finishing barrage slammed into Green's protective arms, but a sizeable number connected square and Cappuccino had no alternative but to make his move.

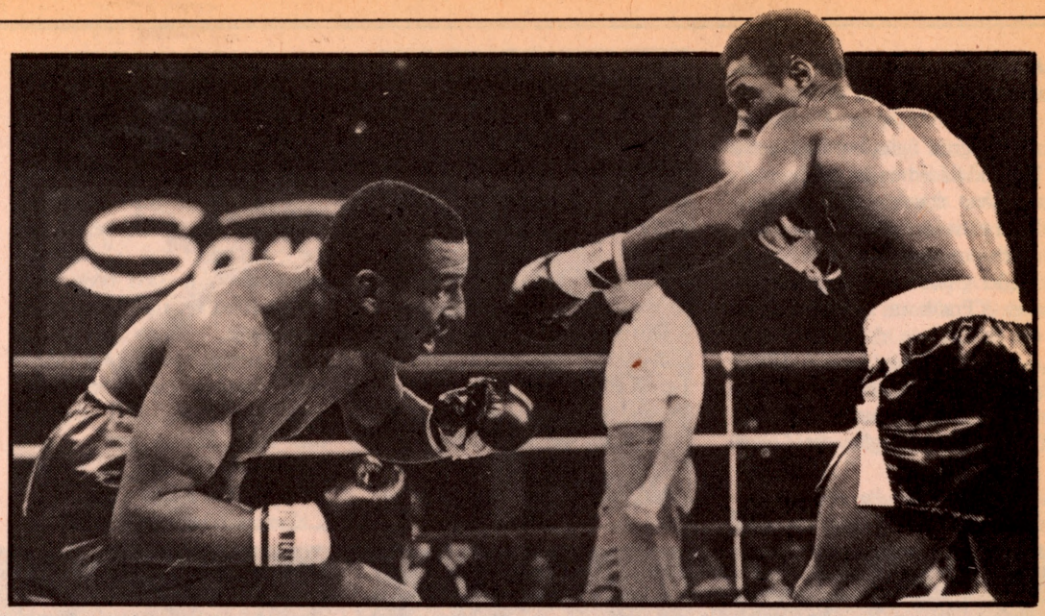
"I didn't want to open up because I was trying to protect my eye," said Green. "Even though I wasn't throwing punches like I should have, I was never hurt. From now on I'll just have to forget about cuts and go on and win."

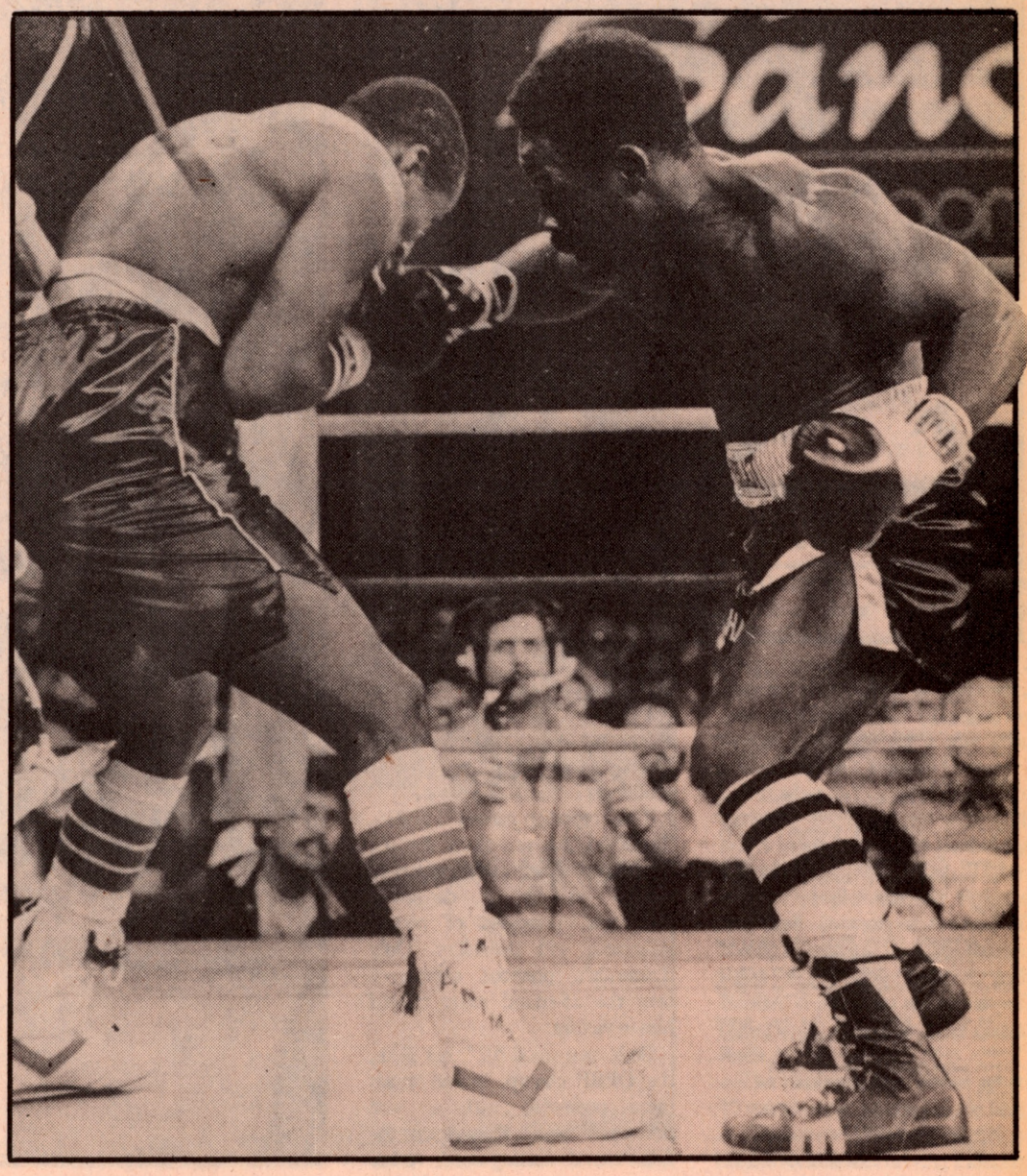
Even Green's manager Lou Duva couldn't fault Cappuccino's decision to intervene.

"He wasn't hurt, but I kept telling him to throw some punches and he didn't" Duva said. "The referee had no alternative."

Of course, Fletcher saw the end slightly differently.

"The ref stopped it in time or





he'd (Green) have been in a world of trouble," assured Fletcher.

We tend to agree. Green had made a great fight, but had shot is bolt and folded under the Animal's relentless stamina and intensity. With each incredible victory, Fletcher's proposed fight with Marvin Hagler grows increasingly intriguing; as Frank was quick to remind one and all.

"As time goes on and Hagler gets older, I don't mind beating on an old man," laughed Fletcher. "Tell Marvin Hagler, the Animal is coming."

In the top prelim, welterweight contender Kevin Howard, 149½, Phila., stayed sharp with a second round TKO over Ceotis Burgess, 145, Ft. Lauderdale. Burgess was down twice in the second before referee Cappuccino called a halt at 2:40.

Undefeated Jerome Coffee, 117¾, Nashville, looked very lucky to score an unanimous decision over hustling Pascual Polanco, 118, Santo Domingo, 10. Zack Clayton, referree.

Anthoney Fletcher, 134¼, Phila. (The Animal's younger brother) won an unanimous decision over Thomas Diaz, 135, Bronx, eight. Cappuccino, referee.

Calvin (Pop) Porter, 149, Phila. TKO'd Pablo Delgado, 142½, Miami, at 1:16 of the first with left hooks to the body. Clayton, referee.

Richard Pultz, 190, Clifton, N.J., TKO'd Larry Jefferson, 186½, Phila., at 2:56 of the second. Cappuccino, referee.

Angel Gonzales, 124, Phila., TKO'd Glenn Sample, 125¼, Ben Salem, Pa., at 2:36 of the third. Clayton, referee.

The scoring after five in the main event was as follows: Referee Cappuccino, 23-22, Green; judge Harold Lederman, 23-22, Green; judge Richard F. Murry, 23-23.

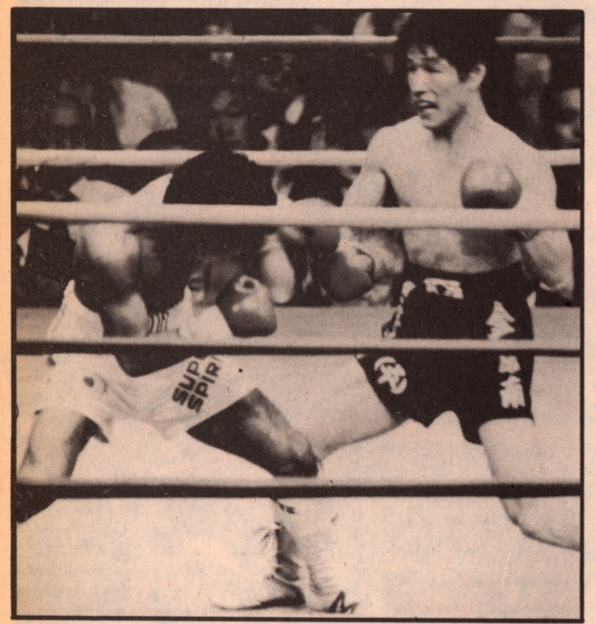
The main event was televised live over NBC-TV.

Peltz Boxing Promotions, Inc.

Attendance—850 (SRO).

(10-16-82)

NIGEL COLLINS



TOKASHIKI-KIM
WBA Junior Flyweight Title

TOKYO, JAPAN—Fast moving Katsuo Tokashiki, 108, won a unanimous decision over Korean southpaw Sung-Nam Kim, 107¾, after 15 hard fought rounds at Korakuen Hall and thus retained his WBA junior flyweight throne.

This was a mandatory defense, Kim having been ranked first by the World Boxing Association. Scoring: referee Nate Morgan, 146-140; judge Timothy Keleher, 147-143; judge Robert Ferrara, 147-141. All the officials came from the U.S.

No knockdowns, but Kim had the defending champ at bay in the seventh round, and Tokashiki almost toppled the sturdy challenger in the 12th session.

This reporter carded 147-145, Tokashiki. this was closer that the American officials had it, but Kim proved to be a dangerous challenger, possessed of power, gameness, and durability. Only Tokashiki's previous experience over the 15-round route carried him to victory.

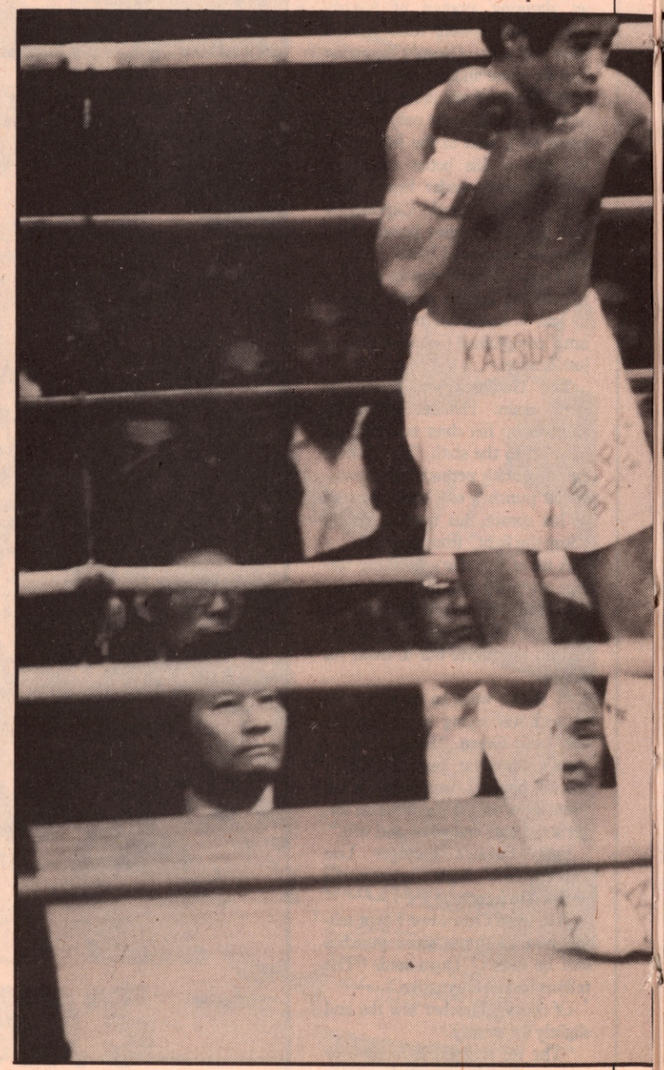
Both men stood 5'2", but Kim, the OPBF champ, looked much more powerful, with a well developed torso. They spent the first round feeling each other out—Tokashiki circling and Kim bobbing and weaving.

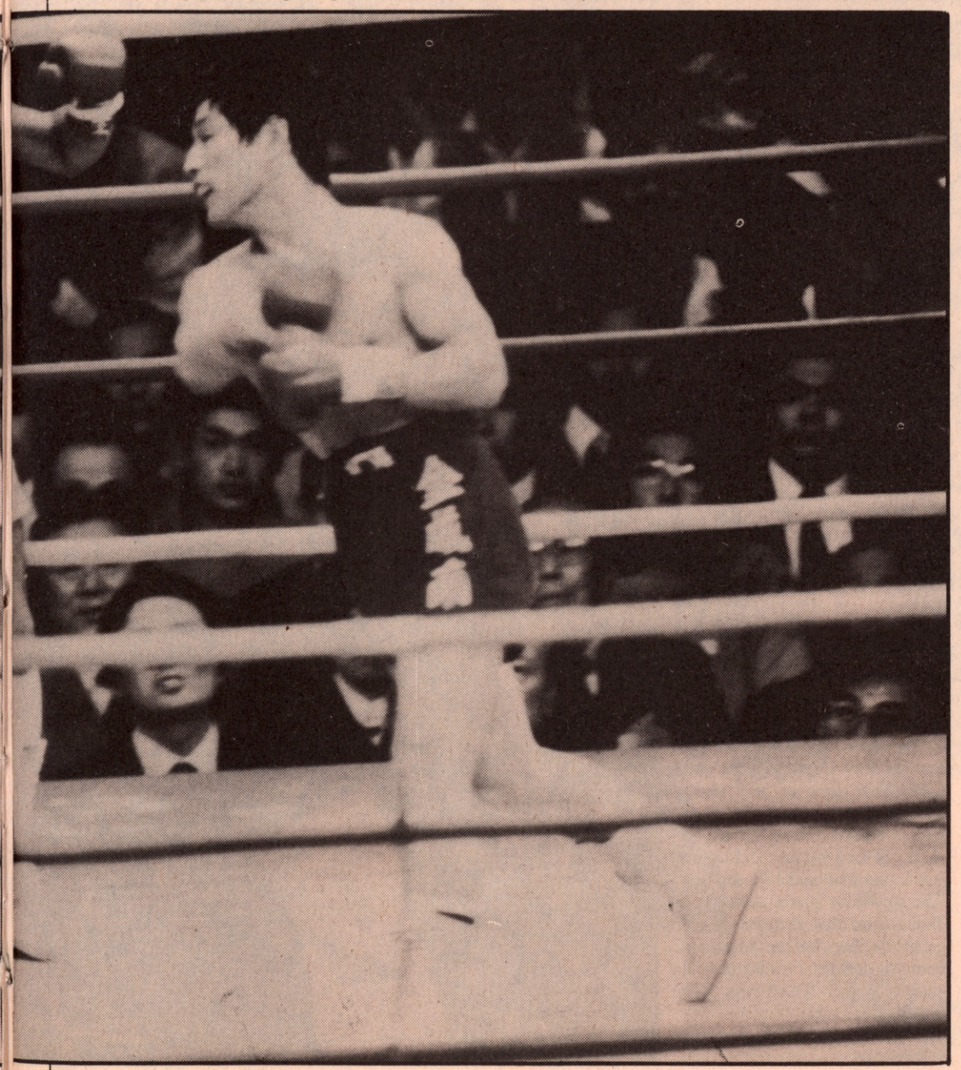
Katsuo's original strategy was to employ hit-and-run tactics against the harder hitting challenger. But he nailed Kim with piston-like combos in the closing seconds of the second, and Sung-Nam responded with good body shots that doubled up the champion in round three.

The next two rounds were about even, Tokashiki shaking off his corner's instructions and slugging with Kim. Katsuo won the next frame with fast combos, but the worm was about to turn.

Kim swarmed over Tokashiki in the seventh with incessant body punches. the champ went toe-to-toe with him and took bad beatings in that session and the next two rounds. The eighth frame, in particular, was gory. Kim was streaming blood out of a cut over his right ear, while Tokashki had two teeth broken out of his mouth by the Korean southpaw's devastating lefts.

The crowd thought the title would change hands, but the tide soon turned again. Tokashiki attacked Kim hard in the 10th inning, connecting with strong right hand to the face. The Korean lost that round with a series of punches that the Japanese boxer forgot to dance away from. Tokashiki looked wobbly at the end of the frame.





The 12th round saw the contest turn around again. Right hands bounced off Sun-Nam's chin, and he was badly shaken up on several occasions. Kim was tiring, and Tokashiki outslugged him in the 13th session. The 14th was Katsuo's best. He caught Sung-Nam with solid straight rights and had him reeling to the ropes. The Korean's durability was incredible.

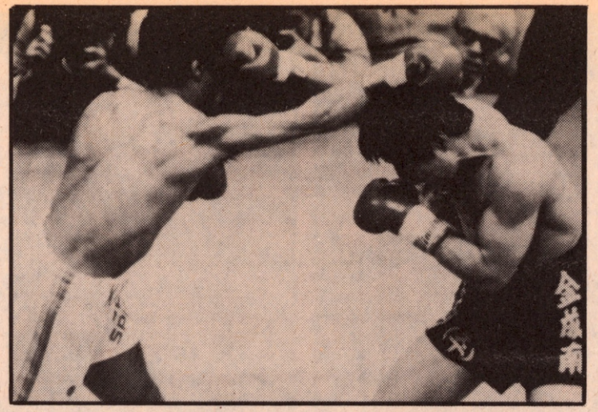
The champ took the last session with fast combinations. Both fighters had given it all they had.

Tokashiki, a former sparring partner of Yoko Gushiken's, is now 17-1-1 with three knockouts. He won this fight, but showed his immaturity by losing his cool and disregarding his corner's advice.

"I had a very tough time," he later said. "I forced myself to fight back hard after Kim knocked out my theeth, and was very confident in the last four rounds. I'll show Kim a better fight next time."

Kim, now 20-4 with 12 kayoes, said "I hit him with some good shots. One more good punch might have dropped Tokashiki. But I couldn't. . . "

Tokahiski, who now resembles Leon Spinks as far as his mouth is concerned, will face Mexican challenger Lupe Madera in a rematch.



German Torres, 111¾, Mexico, the WBC's second ranked junior flyweight, dropped previously unbeaten Yuto Kazaki, also 111¾, once in the second round and thrice more in the sixth round for an automatic knockout in the 1:41 of the latter stanza. Kazaki is now 6-1 with five kayoes. It was scheduled for 10.

Crafty Yoshiaki Nojima, 106¾, won a split decision over 18-year-old Kenbun Taiho, also 106¾, eight. Scoring: double 79-77, Nojima; 79-78, Taiho. Taiho had been undefeated.

Four-rounders: Teppei Tanaka, 128, and Yoshito Shikagawa drew. Yukio Abe, 134½, knocked out Kazuyoshi Morii, also 134½, with one punch in 2:15 of the second. Kazuhisa Kinoshita, 117, eked out a majority decision over Teruyuki Shimada, 117½. Yoichi Shirakawa, 114¼, outscored Yoshiharu Yokoshoji, 114¾, in the opener.

Katsuro Takahashi's Kyoei Promotions. TBS TV.

WBA witnesses—Makoto Hosaka (Japan), Chong-Soo Hwang (Korea).

Prelim referees and judges—Yusaku Yoshida, Ken Morita, Takeshi Shimakawa, Masakazu Uchida, Takeo Ugo.

Ringside Physician—Dr. Suzuki.

Attendance—3,200.

(10-10-82)

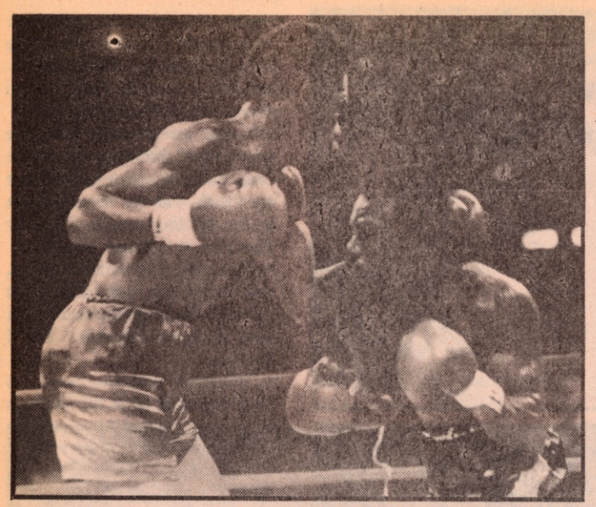
JOE Y. KOIZUMI

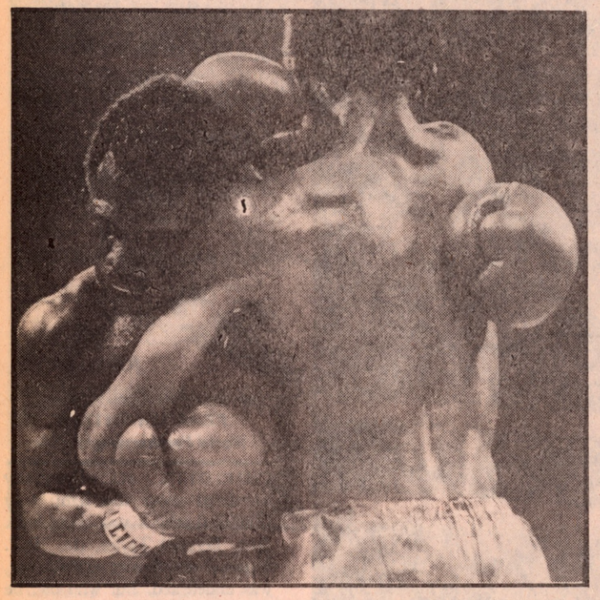
PEDROZA-TAYLOR
World Featherweight Title

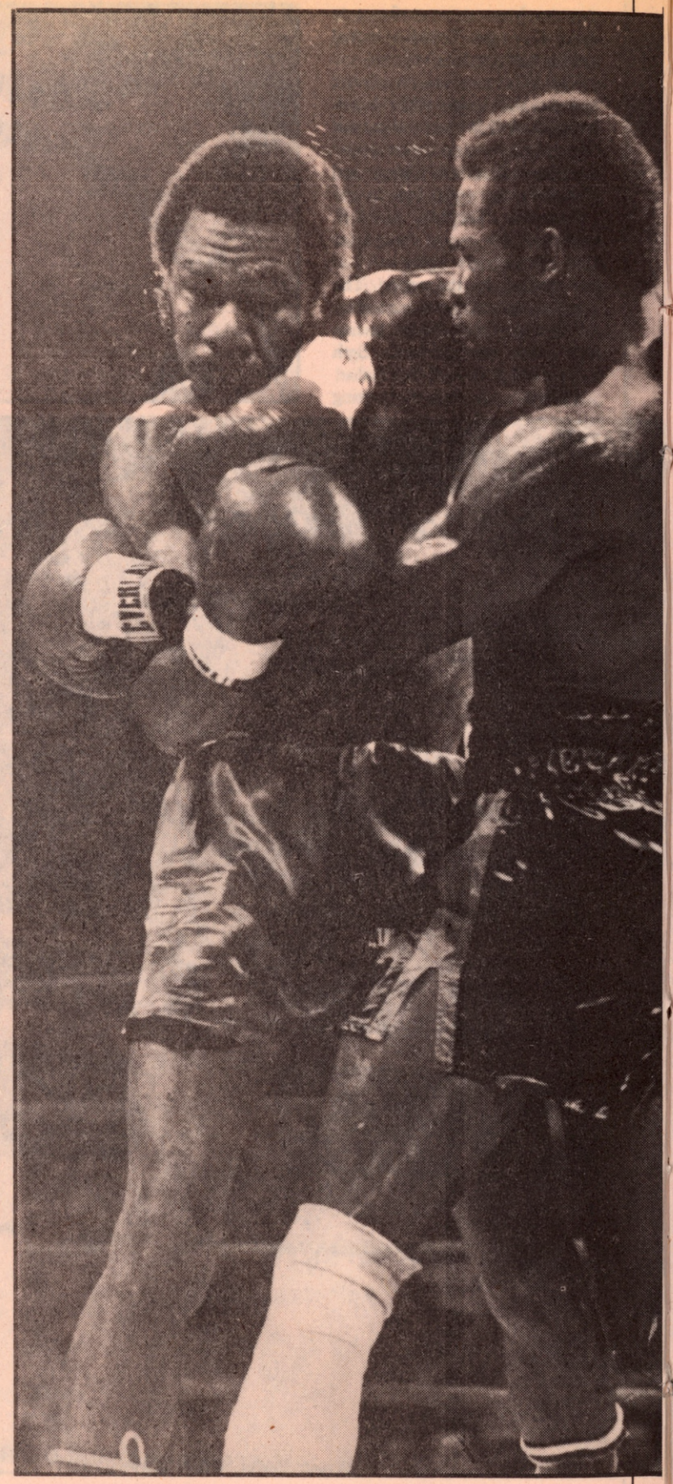
CHARLOTTE, N.C.—Everybody wondered about this fight; they wondered why it was being held. Sure, Bernard Taylor, the "B.T. Express" and former amateur star, was undefeated. But who had he fought to qualify for a title shot with the WBA's Eusebio Pedroza?

But what B.T. lacked in pro experience, he made up with skill and a smart brain trust headed by his manager, Ace Miller. Taylor and his people analyzed Pedroza very well. In contrast to most of boxing's elongated men, the champ fights best at close quarters, and Bernard didn't make the mistake of trying to get inside the taller man's reach.

The result was that Taylor spent 15 rounds dancing around the ring in Charlotte's Coliseum, earning a disputed draw and driving millions





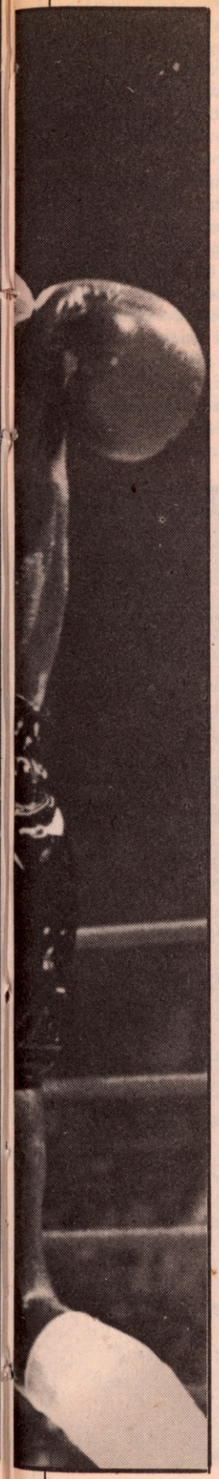


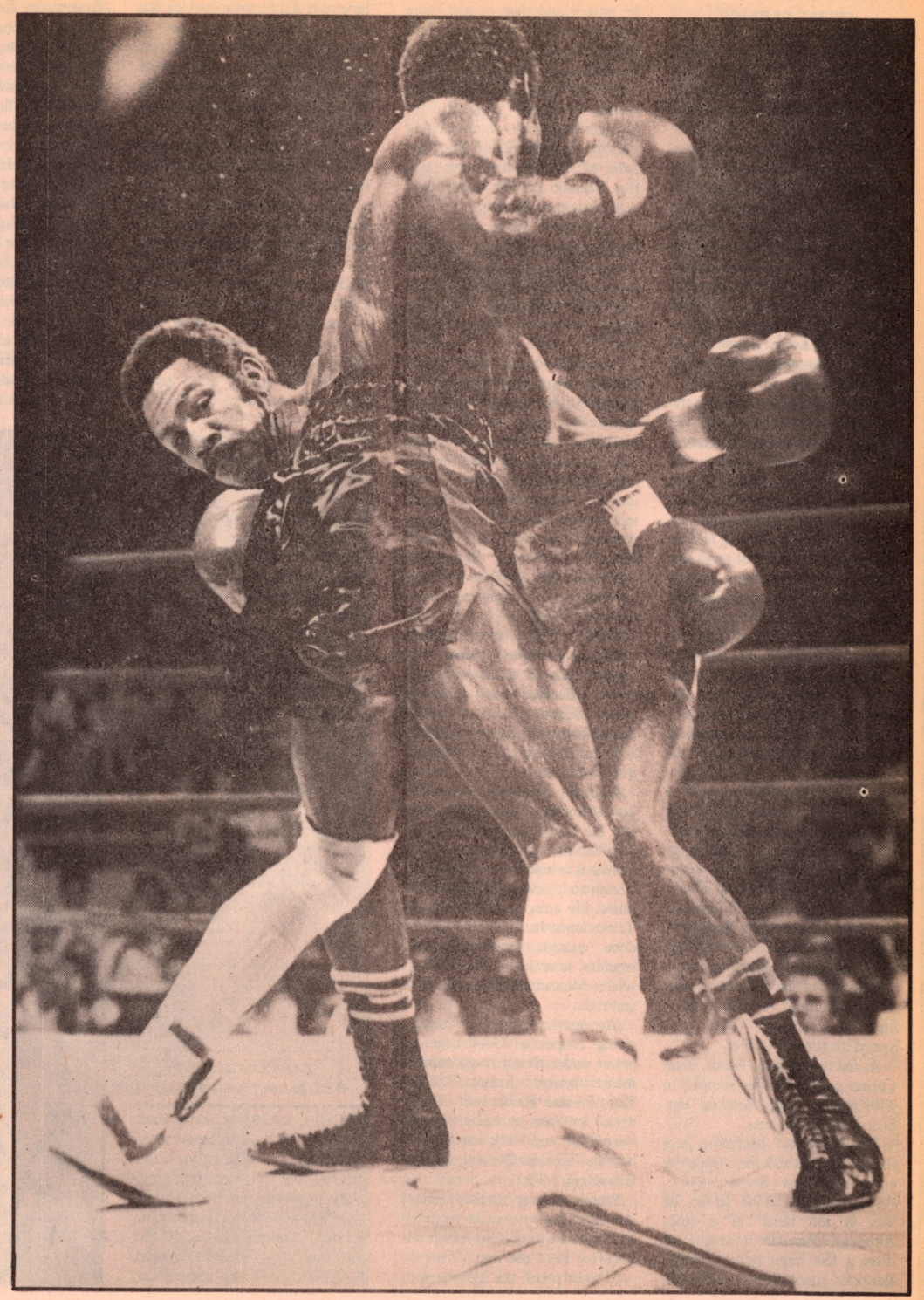
of people away from their television sets. Referee Stan Christodoulou of South Africa scored the contest for Pedroza, 147-143, but the Danish judge had it a 146-146 draw, and the Argentine judge carded 146-144 for Taylor.

Bernard just tried to make Eusebio lead, and there wasn't much action in the first four rounds. The pace picked up a little in the fifth, when Pedroza really forced things and tagged the challenger with a sharp right uppercut to the body. (That is the champ's favorite punch.)

But things soon settled back into a bore-snore. Taylor stunned Pedroza with a few good punches as Eusebio came in, and would have won on points if the crown wearer hadn't opened up with a variety of long left jabs and uppercuts in the 13th and 14th sessions. The somewhat partial crowd was disappointed that Bernard did not get the decision, but the majority of home viewers felt Pedroza was the winner, as he'd forced what little fighting there was.

It was Eusebio's 15th successful title defense.





SNIPES-BERBICK

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—Although it was admittedly a bit of an upset, it wasn't really the fact that Renaldo Snipes beat Trevor Berbick that astonished most folks. The biggest bombshell was how entertaining the match proved to be. Usually, "Mr. Snipes" performs as if Gene Kelly choreographed his battle plan. This time, Renaldo turned reluctant tiger, often swapping leather in a most un-Snipely manner. And while it is true that neither man is going to make anyone forget the grace of Ali or the power of Louis, it was one of the better heavyweight encounters in recent months.

Berbick entered the bout on the upswing. He had executed the dubious duty of ending Ali's career with workman-like dignity and then proceeded to unmask Greg Page. Snipes, on the other hand, had been in a tailspin, drawing with Scott Frank and losing to Tim Witherspoon in a pair of lacklustre outings that followed his impressive challenge for Larry Holmes' WBC title. Predictable he ain't.

It was in the Holmes fight that Snipes first revealed the numbing power in his right hand. It was not until the Berbick fight that the same right finally reemerged, establishing Renaldo as an extremely dangerous, though certainly erratic, puncher.

Berbick, a hefty 222½, got off to a useful start, scoring well to the body with looping hooks and looking comparatively intimidating in his ponderous way. Trevor, seemingly pleased with his early efforts, then made the mistake of lowering his hands and inviting Snipes to come and get him. Renaldo replied with a swooping overhand-right — reminiscent of the shot that nearly eclipsed Holmes — that landed flush on Berbick's head and turned his knees to rubber.

As the crowd at the Sands Hotel Casino gasped, Snipes stepped in with another right, sending Berbick down on one knee.

Referee Arthur Mercante gave the wobbly Berbick the mandatory eight-count and Snipes, 216½, rushed to finish the job. In fact, he was in too much of a rush. Although Renaldo managed to drive a few more rights through Berbick's guard, for the most part, he missed and then missed some more. As it was, Berbick was still floundering on unsteady legs when the bell came to his aid.

Berbick recovered well between rounds. He forced Snipes to fight his fight in the second, exchanging punches up close. At one point, the ardor of Trevor's attack was such that Renaldo lost his balance and stumbled across the ring.

"I wanted to dance around and be the reindeer," said Snipes. "But Trevor Berbick cut the ring off and made me fight. I don't like fighting this way. I'm not going to tell you a story. I don't like that toe-to-toe stuff."

But toe-to-toe is just what he got. Berbick began the third with a flurry, but his blows to the head carried little steam and his sweeping hooks to the body left him wide open for counters. Midway into the session, Snipes hurt Trevor with another right. It looked like the end as Snipes lambasted Trevor for the remainder of the round. Several times Berbick was on the verge of oblivion. A pair of left hooks crashed home as the round came to a close and it was only the bell that saved Berbick's bacon once again.

Both men seemed drained after three rounds of almost continual action. Berbick kept plugging away, refusing to concede, while Snipes alternately danced and slugged, rocking his man on several more occasions.

Berbick's stoic stance made the last half of the fight worth watching. He forced Snipes to work for his win. The giant Jamaican even managed to hold his own down the stretch and, judging by the way he raised his arms at the final bell, Trevor must have thought he had done enough, since his early troubles, to make it close. And on referee Mercante's card, at least, he was right.

Mercante scored it 5-5 in rounds, giving Snipes a 45-44 edge in points under New Jersey's supplemental system. Judges William Kostrub and Richard F. Murry were a lot closer to reality with tallies of 6-3-1 and 7-1-3, respectively, both for Renaldo. *The Ring* saw the winner up, 5-3-2.

Ringsider Larry Holmes seemed more than happy to make room for Snipes in the future, but will probably face Tex Cobb first.

"I'm surprised the fight went as long as it did because Berbick was out from the beginning," observed the champ. "I'm glad Snipes won. If we can make some kind of arrangement in the near future, I'll be glad to give him another opportunity at the title."

Snipes, for his part, was more interested in fighting for a somewhat lesser belt.

"Sure, I'm looking for a shot at Holmes, but I'm also looking forward to fighting for the New York State title with Gerry Cooney," smiled Renaldo, with one eye on Gerry's suspect chin and the other on the sort of purse a match with the planet's formost white hope would generate.

There was quite a lot of grumbling and grousing from Berbick and his manager Herbert Muhammad. Besides the normal "sore hand" excuse, they both hinted a lot, but said little that was concrete.

"I was really pressured about four hours before the fight," cried Berbick. "For now, I'd rather keep my mouth closed, and I won't elaborate about a lot of things. The Good Lord have a way of working things out."

The undercard was a series of mismatches featuring some of the up-and-coming stars of the Don King stable against dismal opposition. Why the New Jersey State Athletic Commission sanctioned such a mess is another question.

Ronnie Shields, 142, Houston, TKO'd Pete Podgorski, 141½, Chicago, at 1:36 of the first. Vincent Rainone, referee.

Doug DeWitt, 160¾, New York, kayoed Billy Page, 154, Chicago in 1:45 of the first. Arthur Mercante, referee.

Mitchell Green, 218, New York, knocked out Londale Frieson, 203, Wichita, in 2:43 of the second. Vincent Rainone, referee.

David Bey, 218, Phila., TKO'd Larry Belfus, 251, Milwaukee, at 2:04 of the first. Vincent Rainone, referee.

Milton (Mad Dog) Guest, 148, Yonkers, TKO'd Danny Harold, 149, Vineland, N.J., at 2:00 of the third. Vincent Rainone, referee.

In two slightly more competitive prelims, Dale Jackson, 159¾, Chicago, drew with Jerrold Banks, 158½, New York, eight and Sidney Gantz, 148¾, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Kenny Jackson, 148½, Phila., four. Mercante handled both bouts.

The main event was televised live over ABC's Wide World of Sports.

Don King Productions.

Attendance—800 (capacity).

(10-02-82)

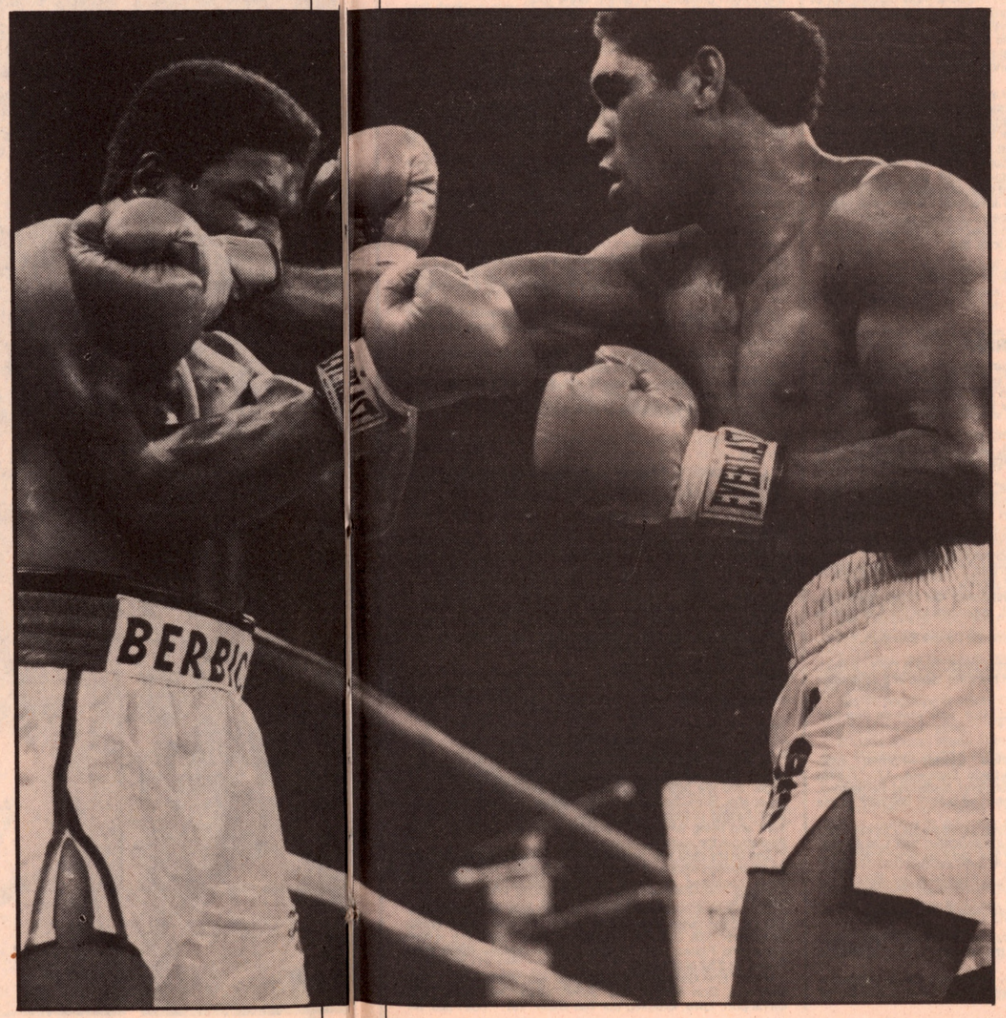
NIGEL COLLINS

ZAPATA-CHANG
WBC Junior Flyweight Title

CHONJU, KOREA—Lanky Hilario Zapata, 108, Panama, retained his WBC light flyweight crown with a controversial split nod over previously unbeaten Jung-Koo Chang, also 108, at Chonju Gymnasium. Scoring: Tony Castellano (U.S.) and Harmodio Cedeno (Panama), 144-142 and 147-144, respectively, Zapata; Jae-Keun Kim (Korea), 148-145, Chang. *The Ring* carded 146-145, Chang, who completely befuddled the champion and was more aggressive. Referee David Pearl (U.S.) did not score, but he said he thought it was a draw.

Chang had zoomed up as a challenger by knocking out Alfonso Lopez and convincingly outpointing former champ Amado Ursua. He chased Zapata all around the ring in the first two rounds with his incessant two-fisted attacks. Hilario was able to avoid more of his punches in the next two frames, but remained on the defensive. Chang's double rights and left hooks to the face and body made him cover up.

Jae-Keun also took the fifth round, switching over to a lefty stance and stalking Zapata with stinging right jabs. Chang kept attacking in the sixth heat with strong body shots, but Zapata drew a little blood from his nose with short punches.



Chang went over to southpaw again in round seven, boring in with roundhouse lefts and rights that the champ picked off deftly. The tide began to turn in the next session, as Chang ceased to toss as many blows, and Zapata began moving more vigorously.

Chang threw wild left hooks in the ninth round, but Zapata tied him up. In the 10th, Zapata countered him with short uppercuts to the face. The champ was bleeding from a cut on the bridge of his nose, but he connected with effective punches at close range.

Chang took the next two rounds with brutal attacks to the body, and Zapata was on the retreat. Hilario was often on the ropes, but scored with good counters as Jae-Keun tried to get inside in round 13. Zapata took that session.

The last two rounds saw Chang bob and weave in an effort to get close to the elusive champ. Zapata threw a few quick jabs and prevented Chang from scoring with hard blows.

Zapata is now 21-2 with eight knockouts. Chang is 18-1 with eight kayoes.

Hi-Sop Shin, 111¼, the WBA's fifth ranked flyweight, stopped Jun Resma, also 111¼, Philippines, at 0:13 of the seventh round in a scheduled 10. Shin, 18, is now 21-1-1 with eight kayoes.

Dong-Young Kim, 123¼, and veteran Arnel Arrozal, 121½, Philippines, drew, 10. Kim is now 11-1-3. Arnel, who was cut over the left eyebrow, is 33-10-5 with 20 kayoes.

Chang-Tae Hou, 128¾, won a technical decision over Dong-Soo Cha, 128½, in round seven of their scheduled 10.

Moon-Kyun Soo, 118, a southpaw, and Joo-Do Kim, 117¼, drew, eight.

Yu-Shik Choi, 110, won a unanimous decision over Jun-Mo Yang, 108½, four.

WBC witness—Romeo Garcia Bonavides.

Promoter—Dong-Kyun Yum (former WBC super bantam champ) in association with Ho-Yun Chun, president of Kukdong Promotions.

KBS TV.

Attendance—10,000.

(09-18-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI

CANIZALES-TORREGOZA
USBA Bantamweight Title

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—The combination that terminated Gaby Canizales' first defense of his USBA bantamweight title was a thing of beauty. First, a whistling left hook sank into challenger Franco Torregoza's liver, momentarily paralyzing him in agony. Then, a split second later, a right-left-right slammed into his head like a trio of thunderbolts, sending poor Franco sprawling to the canvas like a rag doll. Referee Tony Perez's count was a mere formality. Torregoza was finished. The time, 2:10 of the 10th.

Until Canizales applied the finisher, his showing had been somewhat of a disappointment. The problem was that Gaby had looked so spectacular destroying Diego Rosario in his Atlantic City debut, that it was practically impossible to duplicate such a stunning performance. The fact that Torregoza, 117½, was probably a tougher proposition to begin with, also had something to do with it.

Torregoza, a broad shouldered Filipino now fighting out of Stockton, California, definately came to fight. He swarmed into Canizales, bulling the champ around the ring, winging hooks as he came.

"This guy was much stronger than Rosario," said Canizales. "He jumped at me, so I had to move back or to the side, so he wouldn't get me with his head."

Although many expected Gaby to slug back, he smartly elected to bide his time. He boxed well, jabbing on the move, sneaking home stiff counter whenever the opportunity presented itself. Torregoza's nose started to bleed in the fourth, but he continued to chase, keeping Canizales under constant pressure.

"I had a plan," explained Gaby. "I wanted to tire him down. I knew that in the later rounds he would fall."

They exchanged solid punches in the sixth, each sampling a few of the other's best, the brisk action finally stirring the surprisingly placid casino audience at Resorts' Super Star Theatre out of their lethargy.

Canizales, 118, Laredo, Texas, doubled up with his left hook—first to the side, then to the head—in the seventh, sending Torregoza down just as the round-ending bell sounded. In New Jersey, a fighter cannot be saved by the bell, but for some unknown reason, Perez never started his count, allowing Franco to pick himself up and return to his corner for the rest period.

Most of the fight had been knocked out of the game challenger by the start of the eighth. Canizales was now stalking his prey, gradually weakening him for the kill.

"He was beginning to breath hard," reported Gaby. "Especially when I would hit him in the liver."

The pace slowed in the ninth and it began to look like Canizales was willing to settle for a points victory. Then came the 10th and the series of punches that ended the fight in no uncertain terms.

Where does Canizales go from here? Well, promoter Russell Peltz claims that Gaby will get a crack at Jeff Chandler, providing "Joltin' Jeff" gets by Miguel Iriarte next month. Is the 21-year-old ready for such a big step?

"I *know* I'm ready", exclaimed Gaby.

In the scheduled 10-round-semi-final, Bobby Joe Young, 144¼, Steubenville, Ohio, TKO'd Raul Hernandez, 146, Miami (via Cuba), at 2:52 of the third. Hernandez, a late sub, went down once in the second and twice in the third before referee Zack Clayton called a halt. This was little more than a light workout for Bobby Joe; one of the most talented young welters around.

Philadelphian Myron Taylor, 126¾, improved his pro record to 14-0-1 (eight kayoes) with a unanimous eight-round decision over tough Rafael Gandarilla, 127, Matamoras, Mexico, in a lively affair. Referee, Zack Clayton.

David Sears, 173¾, Howard Beach, N.Y., won a unanimous decision over Harry Savage, 176, Phila., eight. Referee, Zack Clayton.

Victor (Flash) Gordon, 142¾, TKO'd Billy Jones, 141, Phila., at 2:27 of the second. Referee, Tony Perez.

Calvin Grove, 127¼, Pottstown, Pa., kayoed Ricky Stinnie, 130, Charlottesville, Va., in 2:22 of the first. Referee, Zack Clayton.

Tom McGuire., 187¼, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Ricardo Williams, 198, Kennett Square, Pa., four. Referee, Tony Perez.

The card was televised live over a collection of cable-TV outlets throughout the country.

Judges—Harold Lederman and Frank Brunette.

Promoters—Peltz Boxing Promotions, Inc. and Main Events Productions, Inc.

Attendance—600 (est.).

(09-22-82)

NIGEL COLLINS

RINGS AROUND THE WORLD

NORTH AMERICA

UNITED STATES

CALIFORNIA

▲ **LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium**—Former WBC junior middleweight champion Rocky Mattioli, 153½, knocked out Pedro Guerrero, 157, Los Angeles, in the seventh round of a scheduled 10.

Ruben Solorio, 123¾, Los Angeles, and Hugo Partida, 124¾, Los Angeles, had their scheduled 10 declared a technical draw in five.

Al Myles, 229¼, Los Angeles, kayoed Teskac Dragutin, 204, Los Angeles, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Barry Nunes, 142¾, Los Angeles, outpointed Billy Jones, 144, Los Angeles, six.

Azteca promotions.

Attendance—903. Gross—$7,452.50.

(08-19-82)

▲ **LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium**—Raymundo Torres, 145, Reynosa, Mexico, kayoed Chu Chu Salcedo, 142½, Guadalajara, Mexico, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10.

George Garcia, 118, Los Angeles, knocked out Jose Luis Cruz, 117, Reynosa, in the sixth frame of their scheduled 10.

Louis Stecca, 126, Italy, kayoed Phil Watford, San Diego, in the fifth round of a scheduled eight.

Tim Thomas, 178, Los Angeles, knocked out Glen Kennedy, 175, Los Angeles, in the first round of a scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Danny Ortiz, 137, Los Angeles, outscored Harry Kazanchian, 138, Los Angeles, Warren Hardy, 160, Los Angeles, and Jerome Kelley, 154, Los Angeles, drew.

Azteca Promotions.

Attendance—1,155. Gross—$9,137.50

(08-26-82)

▲ **SAN JOSE**—James Kinchen, 164, San Diego, knocked out Joe Gonsalves, 163½, Santa Rosa, in the fifth round of the scheduled 10-round main event.

Six-rounders: Albert Romero, 169¾, San Jose, kayoed Alexander Thomas, 172, San Francisco, in the second. Larry Coronado, 140¾, San Jose, and Marce Wade, 138, Vallejo, drew. Jerry Lewis, 135¾, San Jose, outscored Felix Gonzalez, 136, San Francisco. Butch Gomez, 133, San Francisco, outpointed Juan Rodriguez, 130, San Jose.

Garden City Boxing.

Attendance—456. Gross—$4,850.00

(08-27-82)

▲ **LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium**—Pajaro Marquez, 128, Chicago, outscored Nicky Perez, 130, Tucson, Arizona, 10.

Louis Stecca, 122, Milan, Italy, outpointed Javier Barajas, 123, Los Angeles, 10.

Luis Santana, 151, Los Angeles, knocked out Johnny Herbert, 148, Los Angeles, in the sixth and final round.

Four-rounders: Ricardo Lopez, 131½, Los Angeles, outpointed Steve McMinn, 134, San Diego. Romero Sandoval, 140, Los Angeles, outscored Billy Jones, 139, Los Angeles.

Azteca Promotions.

Attendance—717. Gross—$5,392.50

(09-02-82)

▲ **SACRAMENTO—State Fair**—Albert Romero, 167½, San Jose, knocked out Darrell Kizer, 163, Sacramento, in the third round of the scheduled six-round main event.

Max Cervantes, 143½, San Francisco, outscored Ramon Sanchez, 145, San Jose, five.

Rafael Garcia, 126½, San Jose, outpointed Juan Rodriguez, 131, San Jose, five.

I.W. Johnson, 160, San Jose, and Mike Butler, 185, San Francisco, boxed a five-round exhibition.

J & J Sports.

(09-03-82)

▲ **SAN RAFAEL**—Kelly Pickering, 155, Santa Rosa, kayoed Mike Hickman, 154, Boulder, Colorado, in the third round of the scheduled eight-round main event.

Jack Padia, 160½, San Rafael, outpointed Steven Bell, 159, Los Angeles, six.

Gerald Issack, 123, San Francisco, won a split decision over Wade Griffin, 126, Sacramento, six.

Andrew Nance, 138, Marin, Calif., outscored Guy Villegas, 135, Eugene, Oregon, five.

Freddie Ealom, 174, San Francisco, outpointed Leo Oliver, 171¾, four.

Worldwide Boxing.

Attendance—548. Gross—$6,735.00

(09-10-82)

▲ **SAN JOSE—Municipal Stadium**—Jose Luis Ramirez, floored Rigoberto Ruiz, also 137, Tijuana (now fighting out of Stockton) twice and stopped him at 2:25 of the fourth round in the scheduled 10-round main event.

Ramirez dropped Ruiz in the first round with a left to the face, and then floored him again in round four with a volley of punches to the head. That's when ref Jack Campbell stopped it.

Ramirez is now 42-3 with 40 kayoes.

Benny Silva, 128½, San Jose, won a unanimous decision over Everardo Rico, 129½, eight.

I.W. Johnson, 161, San Jose, won by a disqualification over Sam Turner, also 161, Ballard, Wash., in round three of a scheduled six. The referee stopped the bout because Turner repeatedly spit out his mouthpiece. This tactic seems to be gaining acceptance among faint hearted prelim fighters.

Alberto Romero, 169¼, San Jose, won a unanimous verdict over Leon Gray, 174½, Los Angeles, in a fast paced six.

Rafael Garcia, 128, San Jose, won a unanimous decision over Juan Rodriguez, 131, San Jose, five.

Garden City Boxing.

Attendance— 1,491. Gross—$15,510.00

(09-10-82)

CHRISTOPHER COATS

FLORIDA

▲ **TAMPA—Oasis Ballroom**—Michael Dewar, 154½, Kingston, Jamaica, knocked out Homer Jackson, 148½, Gainesville, Fla., with a right to the solar plexis in the fourth round of a scheduled 10. Victor Perez, referee. Dewar is now 18-1 with 12 kayoes.

Danny Sanehz, 136½, Miami, won a unanimous decision over Jojo Virgil, 133, Savannah, Ga., eight. Sanchez dropped Virgil with a left hook in the first and third frames, but was unable to stop him.

Don Wilson, 176, Cocoa, Fla., won a unanimous decision over Dennis Korall, 172, Tampa. Wilson, the world's light heavyweight kick boxing champ, was making his pro debut in the regular fight game and looked good.

Billy Bearden, 161, Tampa, TKO'd Floyd Wells, 158, Miami, at 2:18 of the fourth round in a scheduled six.

Pee Wee Boger, 156, Summerville, S.C., won a split decision over Danny Alexander, 156½, Pahokee.

Jeff Nelson, 148, Miami, outpointed Kel Robin, also 148, Miami, in what was a mild upset. Robin lost for the first time in four bouts.

Don Shiver, 156, Tampa, outscored Dexter Bowman, 149½, Miami, four.

Kenny Snow, 154½, Columbus, Ohio, TKO'd Harry Daniel, 154½, Carrolton, Ga., at 2:01 of the third round in a scheduled four.

Promoter—Phil Alessi.

Matchmaker—Ken Rosenberg.

Attendance—951.

(09-16-82)

▲ **Miami Beach—Convention Center**—Former WBC junior lightweight champion Alfredo Escalera, 137, Puerto Rico, won a unanimous decision over Guillermo Fernandez, 141, Venezuela, 10. A torrid fight that wasn't decided till the final bell.

Johnny Torres, 142, Homestead, retained his Florida State junior welter title with a sixth round knockout over Luis Mejias, 140, Puerto Rico. A right to the jaw did Luis in at 2:06 of the session. It was scheduled for 10.

Angel Hernandez, 133, Puerto Rico, outscored Oscar Huerta, 135, Chile, 10.

Julio Guzman, 127, Puerto Rico, and Carlos Amaya, 128½, Chile, drew, eight.

Ivan Vasquez, 142, Puerto Rico, kayoed Willie Wiggins, also 142, Ft. Lauderdale, in 2:11 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Mike Cruz, 126, Puerto Rico, outpointed Carlos Albuerne, 127½, Cuba in a four-round slugfest that turned out to be the best fight on the card.

Promoter—Felix Zabala.

Attendance—1,746.

(09-18-82)

▲ **Hialeah—Ventura Skating Rink**—Steve Whetstone, 114, took another step up the fistic ladder by knocking out tough Puerto Rican Juan Bruno, 111¼, in 1:08 of the ninth round in a scheduled 10. Bill Conners, referee. Whetstone is now 25-3-1.

Dexter Smith, 145, Homestead, kayoed Emilio Diaz, Miami, with a right uppercut-left hook combo in 2:13 of the third round in a scheduled eight.

Larry Byrd, 147, Miami, knocked out Marshall Washington, also 147, Jacksonville, in 1:32 on the first round in their scheduled eight.

Braulio Santiesteban, 134¼, Miami, won a unanimous decision over Nestor Merle, 130½, Miami, six.

Jose Ribalta, 207, Miami, kayoed Al Lee Tuckey, 200, Chicago, in 1:50 of the first round in a scheduled four.

Gary Peters, 195, Miami, kayoed Kim Simon, 198, Miami, in 2:20 of the first round in their scheduled four.

Chris Dundee's protege, Joe Walcott, 147¼, Virgin Islands, and Jorge Fonseca, 149, Miami, drew, four.

Danny Butler, 136½, Miami and Luis Fernandez, 140, Miami, drew, four.

Promoter—Julio Martinez.

Attendance—910.

(09-30-82)

▲ **Miami Beach—Convention Center**—A star-studded card, with 66 scheduled rounds of boxing.

Rafael Solis, 132, Puerto Rico, knocked out Aquilino Asprilla, 129, Panama, in 2:08 of round six in a scheduled 10. Asprilla, hit the canvas after taking three lefts to the head and had to go to the hospital for treatment.

Johnny de la Rosa, 129, Miami, won a unanimous decision over Rocky Wallace, 128¼, Las Vegas, 10.

Sugar Rocky Rojas, 113½, Colombia, TKO'd Ramon Perez, 113, Puerto Rico, who couldn't come out for the eighth due to an eye cut. Scheduled for 10.

Orlando Maldonado, 116, Puerto Rico, won a split decision over Pasqual Polanco, also 116, Dominican Republic, 10. A last round whirlwind finish gained Orlando the decision.

Fernando Martinez, 136½, Miami, TKO'd Oscar Huertas, 132, Puerto Rico, at 0:40 of the second round in a scheduled six.

Eduardo Lugo, 135½, Cuba, won by disqualification over Jose Rivera, 132, Puerto Rico, at 0:56 of the sixth and final session.

Ivan Vasquez, 142, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Artie Johnson, 145, Ft. Lauderdele, at 1:25 of the fourth round.

Arminio Hernandez, 130½, Miami, won a split decision over Carlos Albuerne, 127½, Miami, four.

Promoters—Felix Zabala, Walter Alvarez.

Attendance—920.

(10-02-82)

LOUIS ZIPKIN

▲ **ORLANDO—Eddie Graham Sports Complex**—Vilomar Fernandez, 140, Dominican Republic, knocked out David Abella, 136½, Tampa, in 1:21 of the fifth round in the scheduled 10-round main event. Frank Santore, referee. Abella is now 9-3.

"Terrible Terry" Pizzaro, 118, Puerto Rico, now fighting out of Miami, TKO'd another Miami-based Puerto Rican, Rico Alfred, also 118, at 1:48 of the third round in a scheduled eight. Ron Hill, referee.

Bobby Bounds, 173, Gainesville, won a majority decision over Glen (concrete) Kemp, also 173, Kissimmee, four.

Keith Cameron, 118, Apopka, knocked out Wallace Tisdale, 119, Gainesville, in 1:30 of the second in the scheduled four-round opener.

Promoter—Dominick Polo.

(10-05-82)

MARTY CARSON

ILLINOIS

▲ **WEST CHICAGO—Rustic Lounge**—This was the first boxing show, amateur or professional, ever held in West Chicago, and the first 1982 promotional effort for Mrs. Juanita Silva. Mrs. Silva, however, is no stranger to Illinois boxing circles, having promoted pro shows in several Illinois cities in 1981 and being an active promoter of amateur boxing shows throughout the state for several years.

The entire card was replete with crowd pleasing action, and West Chicago fight fans were treated to three knockouts. THe show consisted of three six-round bouts and four four-rounders.

Six-rounders: Anthony Travis, 136, St. Louis, and John Plaza, 139, Chicago, drew. Sam Matos, 134½, Chicago, TKO'd Emilio Sotomayor, 136, Cuba, at 1:19 of the fourth round in a terrific battle. Vic Florez, 134, Chicago, TKO'd Johnny Lakin, 135, Peoria, at 0:52 of the third.

Fours: Emil Gattardo, 147, Chicago, won a unanimous decision over Don Myartt, 155, Joliet. Levon McGowan, 128, Davenport, Iowa, knocked out Tim Wade, 131, Rock Falls, Illi-

nois, with a body shot in 1:37 of the third round. Dave Townsend, 235, Chicago, kayoed Bobby Dickenson, 217, Chicago, in 1:05 of the first to run his log to 6-0. Adrian Green, 146, Chicago, won a split duke over Terry Russell, 148, Sterling, Illinois.
Referees—Ed Stage, Stanley Berg.
Judges—Harding McCain, Sonny Duncan, Jim Lebell, John Ricci.
Timekeeper—Al Tremari.
Ringside Physician—Dr. Glenn Bynum.
Announcer—Ben Stone.
Promoter—Juanita Silva.
Attendance—341.
(09-04-82)

▲ **CHICAGO—Bismarck Hotel—**Jimmy Batten, 155¼, Chicago, won a unanimous decision over Jeff Madison, 165, East St. Louis, Mo., in the 10-round main event. Batten, a late sub for Lenny LaPaglia, pitched a virtual shutout.

Steffen Tangstad, 210½, Chicago, knocked out Walter Ware, 210, Omaha, with a powerful right to the jaw in 2:22 of round seven in a scheduled eight. Steffen is now 12-0-1, the draw coming in his pro debut.

Six-rounders: Ali Kareem Muhammad, 142, Chicago, won a split decision over "Smoking" Joe Hawkins, 142½, Meridian, Miss. Mike Brothers, 176, Chicago, won a split decision over Eddie Collins, 177, Meridian. Darrel Anthony, 138, Florissant, Mo., won a unanimous decision over "Good Time" Henry Mobley, 138¼, Chicago.

Fours: Dr. Herbert Odom, 149, Chicago, won a unanimous verdict over Adrian Green, 147, Chicago. Veabro Boykin, 141½, Chicago, won a unanimous decision over Robert Lee, 142, Meridian. Alen (Mule) Alexander, 162, Chicago, knocked out Thomas (T.J.) Knight, 166, Gary, Indiana, in 2:11 of the second.
Referees—Al Preslinger, Stanley Berg.
Judges—Harold Marovitz, James DiVito, Al Tremari, Mike Glienna.
Timekeeper—Mike Murphy.
Ringside Physician—Dr. Jorge Tovar.
Announcer—Sonny Means.
Promoter—Ernest Terrell.
Attendance—402.
A historical sidelight: The ring lights at the Bismarck are the same lights that graced the ring at the Chicago Stadium for many years, and are considered the finest in the country.
(09-07-82)

BOB SODERMAN

MARYLAND

▲ **BALTIMORE—Steelworkers Hall—**Rickey Perry, 160, Baltimore, knocked out Charles Carey, 159½, Portsmith, Virginia, in the sixth round of their scheduled eight-round main event.

Six-rounders: Mike Wright, 147, Richmond, Virginia, TKO'd Aaron Caldwell, also 147, Washington, D.C., in the second. Reggie Gross, 178, Baltimore, TKO'd Ric Lainhart, also 178, Virginia Beach, Va., in the sixth and final session. Ken (Magic) Shannon, 158, Portsmith, Va., won a unanimous decision over Jesse Carter, 160¼.

Four-rounders: Warren Boardley, 140¾, Baltimore, and Chris Bowen, 141½, Washington, D.C., drew. Osley Silis, 160¼, won a unanimous decision over Robert Jackson, 158, Portsmith, Va.
Promoter—Ben Poe, Ring Productions, Inc.
Matchmaker—Tom Rothe.
(09-23-82)

MICHIGAN

▲ **DETROIT—Northwest Activity Center—**Alvin Hayes, 137, knocked Billy Madison, 140, Detroit, down four times before their bout was stopped at 1:24 of the third session. Hayes, whose been improving, is now 6-0.

Wayne Powell, 150, Detroit, moved to 6-0 when Ken Keys, 152, Grand Rapids, failed to answer the bell for the fourth round. Keys, who was making his pro debut, is the brother of William (Machine Gun) Keys.

Arthel Lawhorn, 164, Detroit, outscored Ron Ayers, 161, Cleveland, six. The hot dogging Lawhorn is now 5-0.

Vernon (Big Cat) Griffin, 230, Detroit, TKO'd Johnny Clark, 205, Columbus, Ohio, at 1:33 of the first round. Griffin is now 2-0.

Anthony Henry, 124, Detroit, knocked Orlando Green, 119, Columbus, down thrice in the second for an automatic TKO at 1:48 of the round. Henry is now 2-0.

Three Detroit youngsters made successful pro debuts in four-round contests: Barry Lawrence, 124, outpointed Cedric Mitchell, 121. Donell Hills, 131, outscored Lloyd Hanson, 125, Columbus. John Norman, 120, Detroit, won a split decision over James Tollivar, 116, Cleveland.
Detroit Professional Boxing Club.
Promoter—John Brown. Matchmaker—Ross Barber.
Referees— Sam Williams, Hugh Smithers.
(07-24-82)

▲ **DETROIT—Cobo Hall—**Former WBA welterweight king Thomas Hearns, 159¼, knocked Jeff McCracken down twice in the second round and stopped him at 1:29 of the eighth. Harry Papacharamalabous, referee. McCracken, 161, who lost for the first time in 17 outings, bloodied Hearns' nose with a left-right combo in the second.

Duane Thomas, 159½, Detroit, used a left-right-left combo to knock out Willie Ray Taylor, 160¼, Charlotte, North Carolina, in 1:53 of the fourth stanza. Thomas is now 16-1.

Michigan State junior middleweight champion David Braxton, 156, Detroit, TKO'd Al Styles, 157, Philadelphia, who failed to answer the bell for the ninth round.

Darrell Chambers, 150, Detroit, won a unanimous decision over William Keys, 148½, Grand Rapids, eight. Chambers, who was decked in the last session, is now 12-0.

Darnell Knox, 147, Detroit, outscored debuting Dino Newville, 148, Grand Rapids, six. Newville is the world welterweight kick boxing champion.

Jeff Stoutomire, 160½, Los Angeles, won a dull nod over Leon Barber, 165½, Detroit, six.

Lindell Holmes, Detroit, TKO'd Leslie (Sweet Lemonade) Gardner, Detroit, at 2:51 of round four. Lindell, a Kronk middle, is now 16-1.
Referees—Harry Papacharamalabous, Max Harnish. This was the veteran Harnish's first appearance in the Detroit area, and he did a fine job.
Judges—Rose Grabie, Chip Acey, Dr. Stuart Kirschenbaum.
All-Star Boxing/John Yopp.
CBS TV.
(07-25-82)

▲ **STERLING HEIGHTS—Premier Center—**Bernard (Superbad) Mays, 160, Detroit, won a unanimous decision over veteran Johnny Heard, 156, Chicago, 10. Heard, who lost by scores of 100-91, 99-89, and 100-93, was a late sub for Antonio Adame.

Arthel Lawhorn, 165, Detroit, TKO'd Donnie Williams, 166, Cleveland, who did not answer the bell for round five. Lawhorn is now 6-0.

Dean Ferguson, 158, Windsor, Ontario, outpointed Kirk Blakely, 149, Grand Rapids, to move his log to 10-0. Blakely dropped to 3-6.

Danny (Mad Dog) Paul, 145, Detroit, stopped William Hodge, 144, Columbus, Ohio, at 2:18 of the second. Paul is now 20-3.

Alvin (Too Sweet) Hayes, 137, Detroit, kayoed Clayton Tyson, 131, Columbus, in 1:47 of the first round. Hayes is now 7-0.

Bruce (The Hulk) Granham TKO'd Larry Sims, 213, Cleveland, who ran out of steam and did not answer the bell for round three.
Referees—Sam Williams, Bobby Watson.
Judges—Ken Offet, Sue Ann Denton, B. Humphrey.
Redd Promotions.
Matchmaker—Ross Barber.
Attendance—600.
(07-28)82)

▲ **DETROIT—Twenty Grand Showroom—**Standing Room Only Productions presented their second showing of the Detroit Spirits Boxing Team with a seven-bout card held in the Las Vegas styled Showroom. The Spirits are managed and trained by S. Roland Scott, and he has done a fine job with them.

Spirits leader Jerome Kinney, 140, Detroit, the Michigan State junior welter champ, won a one-sided unanimous decision over Grand Rapids veteran Willie McIntosh, 141, in the 10-round main event. Kinney is now 16-1. McIntosh, decked five times in this contest, is 10-9-2. He had never gone past six sessions before.

Lee Lamphere, 161, Waterford, won a split decision over Eric (The Whip) Curry, 164, Detroit, four. Lamphere is now 4-0. Curry is 1-1.

Earl (Jake The Snake) Jenkins, 162, Detroit, went to 2-0 as a pro when he stopped Mike Cruikson, 168, Cincinnati, at 0:54 of the second.

Darrell (Monkey) Graham, 129, Detroit, brought his record to 5-3 with an easy kayo over Juan Washington, 127, Cincinnati, in 2:59 of the first round.

Erskine (Duck) Wade, 126, Detroit, stopped Kerry Waler, 123, Cincinnati, at 0:18 of the second. Wade's now 2-0—both kayoes.

Spencer Chavis, 178, Detroit, stopped Clyde Alexander, 180, Cincinnati, at 1:29 of the first.

Alvin (Too Sweet) Hayes, 137, Detroit, (not a member of the Spirits), moved to 8-0 with a TKO over Anthony Crawford, 137½, Cincinnati, at 1:42 of the first round.

It should be noted that the Richard Christmas Cincinnati fighters, who lasted a total of eight minutes and 22 seconds in five fights, were brought in as last minute replacements for opponents who backed out at the last minute.
Referees—Hugh Smithers, Tom Briscoe.
Judges—Russ Gilbert, J. Ladoncur, Rosemary Grable.
Attendance—250 (est.)
(08-05-82)

DAVE HARTOON

NEW JERSEY

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Sands Hotel Casino—**In a bout that added little lustre to boxing in general, and absolutely none to the new ESPN tournament in particular, undefeated James Broad captured the cable-TV heavyweight title with a TKO over Randy Mack at 1:24 of the eighth round in a scheduled 12.

The ponderous Broad, 246¼, looked and moved like a pregnant water buffalo, while Mack, an equally flabby 212¼, appeared to have trained on sleeping pills. Neither man is likely to cause Larry Holmes to lose any sleep, however. It was the sort of fight that underlined the appalling state of our current heavyweight crop.

Mack, a veteran Philadelphia club fighter, lacked his normal spark. He moved forward, but always right into Broad's counters. Randy (15-6-2, seven kayoes) has been involved in some entertaining scraps in the past, but, at 31 years of age, he seems to have shot his bolt.

Broad, now 9-0, six kayoes, was no ball of fire himself. He slowly dismantled Mack, utilizing his size and strength, finally putting Randy away with two knockdowns in the eighth. First, a combination push-left hook dropped Mack for a delayed action trip to the canvas. He beat the count, only to be quickly floored again by a flurry of blows that was highlighted by a crushing right uppercut.

In another ESPN championship match, lefty Robert Sawyer defended his welterweight crown with a unanimous 12-round decision over Dick Eklund.

This was a poor clash of styles two counterpunchers. Sayer, 145, Washington, D.C., scored the bouts only knockdown in the second when he decked Eklund, 145½, with a snappy right-left. Dick beat the count, but never really threatened to win. He was outboxed most of the way, as Sawyer peppered him with his lead right throughout the fight.

The scoring was 10-2, 8-4, and 8-2-2, all in favor of Sawyer. The winner saw his pro record improve to 11-5 (seven kayoes), while Eklund dropped to 16-7 (seven kayoes).

Philly's Jimmie Sykes, 160¼, ended his close fight with Jose Cruz with a single left hook that ripped open a very nasty gash over Cruz's left eye in the fifth. Cruz, 159½, Jersey City, was holding his own when Sykes' hook crashed home and forced a stoppage. Sykes upped his log to 9-3-1 (five kayoes), while Cruz lost for the first time and is now 4-1, three kayoes. Time of the stoppage: 1:15.

Brown Sugar, 160½, Newark, scored a unanimous decision over game Steve Waters, 160¼, Phila., in a lively six-rounder. Right hands put Waters down in both the first and third, but he fought back with gusto after both knockdowns.

Joe Arabia, 146½, Phila., TKO'd Eric Smith, 139, Phila., at 2:16 of the first.

Pedro Alindato, 119, Peterson, TKO'd Floyd Buckley, 120½, at 1:48 of the first.

Larry Hazzard refereed Arabia-Smith, Sugar-Waters, and Sawyer-Eklund, while Joe Cortez handled Alindato-Buckley, Sykes-Cruz, and Broad-Mack.
The card was televised live over the ESPN cable.
Judges—Richard F. Murry and Harold Lederman.
Promoter—Top Rank, Inc.
Attendance—800 (capacity)
(09-16-82)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Claridge Hotel Casino—**Another garbage card using the hero-versus-stiff format.

Steve Traitz, 162½, Norristown, stopped "Bean" Whisetten, 160¾, Winston-Salem, N.C., at 1:28 of the first. Traitz might be a decent prospect, but we'll never find out for sure as long as he's fighting guys like this.

Joe Thomas, 238, Phoenixville, kayoed Trib Perry, 235¼, Winston-Salem, in 2:44 of the second. Another joke.

In the lone competitive match, Vincent (The Blade) Christian, 123½, Phila., scored a unanimous decision over Alvin Fowler, 124½, St. Louis, over eight. Christian was in command all the way, dropping Fowler in the fifth with a right-left, but Fowler tried hard and made Vincent fight for every point. Southpaw Christian is now 9-0, with five early endings to his credit.

Willie Harris, 152¼, Eagleville, TKO'd Billy Chapin, 154¾, Powell, Ohio, at 1:47 of the third.

Frank Montgomery, 140¾, Phila., TKO'd Kareem Makel, 142, Newark, at 2:20 of the first.
Referees—Frank Capuccino and Rudy Battle.
Judges—Bill Kostrub and Bill Carrozza.
Promoter—Joe Hand.
Attendance—550 (est.)
(09-21-82)

▲ **ATLANTIC CIY—Tropicana Hotel Casino—**Junior middleweight Mario Maldonado recorded his fifth consecutive win of the year, scoring a unanimous 10-round decision over journeyman Curtis (The Razor) Ramsey. Maldonado, once considered little more than a dangerous, but ill-conditioned opponent, has established himself as a serious threat among the 154-pounders. His 20-10-1 (11 kayoes) record is riddled with early inconsistencies, but he seems to be on the right track now and there was talk of a fight with former champ Ayub Kalule following tonight's triumph.

Maldonado, 153¾, Vineland, N.J., might have scored a knockout in this one, but he fell for one of the oldest tricks in the book on several occasions. Everytime Mario shook Ramsey

UNITED STATES RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Greg Page (Kentucky)
1. Michael Dokes (Ohio)
2. Renaldo Snipes (New York)
3. Gerry Cooney (New York)
4. Pinklon Thomas (Pennsylvania)
5. Randall (Tex) Cobb (Pennsylvania)
6. Tim Witherspoon (Pennsylvania)
7. James Tillis (Illinois)
8. John Tate (Tennessee)
9. Leon Spinks (Pennsylvania)
10. Larry Frazier (Washington)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Jerry Martin (Pennsylvania)
1. Eddie Mustafa Muhammad (New York)
2. Matthew Saad Muhammad (Pennsylvania)
3. Eddie Davis (New York)
4. Jerry Celestine (Louisiana)
5. John Davis (New York)
6. James Scott (New Jersey)
7. Carlos DeLeon (Puerto Rico)
8. Marvin Johnson (Indiana)
9. Willie Edwards (Michigan)
10. Murray Sutherland (Michigan)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Dwight Davison (Michigan)
1. Frank Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
2. Thomas Hearns (Michigan)
3. Ray Seales (Washington)
4. Wilford Scypion (Texas)
5. James Green (New Jersey)
6. Bobby Czyz (New Jersey)
7. Bernard Mays (Michigan)
8. James Kinchen (California)
9. Vinnie Curto (Massachusetts)
10. Mark Holmes (Pennsylvania)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
1. Thomas Hearns (Michigan)
2. Tony Ayala, Jr. (Texas)
3. Gary Guiden (Indiana)
4. Clint Jackson (Tennessee)
5. James Green (New Jersey)
6. Mike McCallum (New York)
7. Rocky Fratto (New York)
8. Buster Drayton (Pennsylvania)
9. Mario Maldonado (New Jersey)
10. Mark Medal (New Jersey)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Milton McCrory (Michigan)
1. Donald Curry (Texas)
2. Roger Stafford (Pennsylvania)
3. Marlon Starling (Connecticut)
4. Kevin Howard (Pennsylvania)
5. Bobby Joe Young (Ohio)
6. Mark Harris (New Jersey)
7. Robert Sawyer (Washington, D.C.)
8. Randy Shields (California)
9. Sean O'Grady (Oklahoma)
10. Pablo Baez (California)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny Bumphus (Tennessee)
1. Saoul Mamby (New York)
2. Steve Hearon (Texas)
3. Ronnie Shields (Texas)
4. Billy Costello (New York)
5. Willie Rodriguez (Pennsylvania)
6. Bruce Curry (Texas)
7. Dujuan Johnson (Michigan)
8. Tony Baltazar (California)
9. Jorge Morales (California)
10. Monroe Brooks (California)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Howard Davis, Jr. (New York)
1. Edwin Rosario (Puerto Rico)
2. Ruben Munoz (Texas)
3. Andy Ganigan (Hawaii)
4. Gonzalo Montellano (California)
5. Hilmer Kenty (Michigan)
6. Art Frias (California)
7. Roberto Elizondo (Texas)
8. Livingstone Bramble (New Jersey)
9. Greg Coverson (Michigan)
10. Ken Bogner (New Jersey)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
John Verderosa (New York)
1. Edwin Rosario (Puerto Rico)
2. Hector Camacho (New York)
3. Rolando Navarrete (Hawaii)
4. Bobby Chacon (California)
5. Johnny De La Rosa (Florida)
6. Roger Mayweather (Nevada)
7. Frankie Baltazar (California)
8. Tony Santana (New York)
9. Ralph Aviles (Hawaii)
10. Rafael Solis (Puerto Rico)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Ruben Castillo (California)
1. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
2. Juan (Kid) Meza (California)
3. Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
4. Jackie Beard (Michigan)
5. Irving Mitchell (California)
6. Bernabe Montanez (Puerto Rico)
7. Paul DeVorce (New York)
8. Mark Davis (California)
9. Rocky Garcia (California)
10. Richard Savala (Michigan)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Mike Ayala (New York)
1. Jaime Garza (California)
2. Carmelo Negron (New York)
3. Alberto Mercado (Puerto Rico)
4. Oscar Muniz (California)
5. Jose Canizales (Texas)
6. Lenny Valdez (Nevada)
7. Jose Parilla (Puerto Rico)
8. Jose Lopez (California)
9. Nicky Perez (Arizona)
10. Diego Rosario (New Jersey)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny Carter (Pennsylvania)
1. Albert Davila (California)
2. Oscar Muniz (California)
3. Freddie Jackson (Texas)
4. Richard Sandoval (California)
5. Harold Petty (Texas)
6. Julian Solis (Puerto Rico)
7. Mario Chavez (California)
8. James Pipps (Texas)
9. James Manning (Oregon)
10. Ruben Solario (Puerto Rico)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Willie Jensen (Nevada)
1. Felix Castillo (Texas)
2. Alonso Gonzales (California)
3. Joey Olivo (California)
4. Orlando Maldonado (Puerto Rico)
5. Jerome Coffee (Tennessee)
6. Steve Whetstone (Florida)
7. Henry Brent (New York)
8. Julio Rodriquez (Hawaii)
9. Norberto Castellanos (Texas)
10. Ron Cisneros (Colorado)

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with his booming right, Curtis would go into his "hurt fighter pantomime,"staggering around in an exaggerated manner. Instead of going right after his man, Maldonado always took time out to stare in disbelief at the comical routine, allowing Ramsey to gain enough time to clear his head.

Ramsey, 154¼, Atlanta, looked like he was going to be blown away early, but the rugged veteran hung tough and fought back well enough to make things interesting. He recently gave hotshot Tony Ayala a tough workout and, although he never looked like winning this one, he earned his purse and gave Maldonado a bit of an education in the process. His record dropped to 22-13-6, with 13 kayoes.

Joey Carabello, 128, New York, edged past lefty David Grayton, 124½, Washington, D.C., in a splendid six-rounder. Both men took turns dishing it out, but Carabello's strength caught the judges' eye for a majority decision.

Allen Braswell, 141, Brooklyn, scored a unanimous decision over Christopher Bowens, 141¾, Washington, D.C., in a battle of slappers.

Juan Ramon Santana, 146, Camden, TKO'd Gary Evans, 145¾, Dover, Delaware, at 2:31 of the first. Evans was down twice in a one-sided walk over.

Bob Quarry, 204½, Los Angeles, TKO'd hapless Franky Van, 191¼, Bridgeport, Ohio, at 0:39 of the second.

Joe Cortez refereed Quarry-Van, Santana-Evans, and Carabello-Grayton, while Frank Cappuccino handled Brasswell-Bowens and the main event.

Judges—Bill Carrozza and John Stewart.
Promoter—Elbaum-Menas Productions.
Attendance—1,300 (capacity)
(09-28-82)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Playboy Hotel Casino**—Boxing returned to the Playboy following a summer hiatus with the first in a series of monthly shows to be held on the first Friday of every month. The matches will be put together by Alessi Promotions and televised live over the USA Cable Network. For their inaugural offering, the Alessi group showcased a number of stars from their Florida-based stable. The only problem was that the opponents were simply not good enough to provide an adequate test.

In the main event, Michael (Solid Gold) Bradley, 140, Columbus, Ohio, (but now living and training in Florida) scored a unanimous decision over lefty Ralph Twining, 138, Muskegan, Mich., 10.

Bradley came to fight, looking to make a good impression in his A.C. debut. Twining, probably knowing he had little chance of winning, came to spoil and survive. He accomplished both, but the result was a one-sided bore. Bradley did all the fighting, while Twining merely backed away, trying to lure Michael into a counter that never materialized. Bradley won with room to spare by scores of 8-0-2, 7-3-0, and 6-3-1, spearing Ralph with both hands in every round.

Bradley, a well-built junior welter, raised his log to 18-0, 10 kayoes.

In another scheduled 10, Pedro Laza, 135½, Miami, scored a TKO over Bobby Sparks, 138, Portsmouth, Ohio, at 1:50 of the fifth. A right to the head toppled the reluctant Sparks just before the stoppage. Nothing much here, as Laza was a class above Sparks, who showed nothing. Pedro is now 18-1, with six kayoes.

Leroy Hester, 162¾, Miami, TKO'd Mike Hyman, 165½, Florence, S.C., in just 2:29 of the first. Hester, now 10-0, with nine kayoes, looked like a pretty good moving boxer, but his appearance was too brief to tell for sure.

Richard Savage, 125, Monroe, La., TKO'd Brian Grant, 131¾, New York, at 2:41 of the third round in a scheduled eight. Late sub Grant, who looked old and out of shape, gave it his best before being rescued to spare him further punishment. Savage improved his record to 11-0, with 10 early endings.

The only Southern boxer to lose was George Prendas, 122½, Miami, who was outpointed by Erskin Wade, 123¼, Detroit, over six. Prendas chased Wade all around the ring, but never caught up with him and was slapped silly in the process.

In by far the best fight of the night, Earl (Pee Wee) Boger, 152¾, Summersville, S.C., outslugged Tony Demby, 155½, Atlantic City, over four brutal rounds.

Demby came out smoking in the first, and nailed Boger with over a dozen clean head shots, rocking Pee Wee, though never dropping him. Slowly, Boger began to fight back and was winging hooks hard and fast at the round-ending bell.

From then on, Boger took control, backing Demby into the ropes and blazing away with both hands. Every now and then, Demby would break out with a flurry, but could never regain the lead. He looked out on his feet on more than one occasion.

All in all, one of the best prelims of the year in A.C.

Larry Hazzard refereed Hester-Hyman, Prendas-Wade, and Bradley-Twining, while Joe O'Neill handled Boger-Demby, Laza-Sparks, and Savage-Grant.

Judges—Tommy Kaczmarek and Milo Savage.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Attendance—1,282
(10-01-82)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino**—Popular brawler "Tough" Tony Suero scored four knockdowns on his way to a knockout over stubborn Freddie Creech at 1:36 of the ninth round of a scheduled 10. It was a one-sided, but pleasing, contest that saw Creech fight back the best he could between trips to the boards.

It seemed like Creech, 158¾, Fayetteville, N.C., couldn't get out of the way of Suero's powerful right hand. Every time Creech got something going, Tony would hurt him with the right. Freddie was down twice in the fifth (the second time from a left hook) and twice in the ninth before referee Paul Venti called a halt.

The win pushed Suero's record to 13-4-2 (eight kayoes), while Creech slipped to 7-3-1 (three kayoes).

Undefeated Simon Brown, 142½, Washington, D.C., got a lively workout before stopping game George Burton, 143, Baltimore, at 2:20 of the sixth round in a scheduled eight. Simon is now 9-0 with six kayoes. Larry Hazzard, referee.

The scheduled six between prospect Timmy (TNT) Long and Mike Tinley was over practically before it got started. Both Tinley, 158, Camden, N.J., and Long, 156, Akron, Ohio, rushed out and smacked heads just after the sound of the first bell. The unintentional butt opened a nasty gash on Long's forehead and referee Hazzard ruled "no decision" at 0:39 of the round. This seemed the fairest resolution, all things considered. Tinley entered the bout 9-1-1 (five kayoes), while Long came in at 5-0, three early endings.

Kenny Ringo, 172½, Vineland, N.J., won a unanimous decision over Tany Parede, 173, New York, four. Paul Venti, referee.

Erskine Johnson, 159, Camden, N.J., drew with Angel DeLeon, 154, Rio Pedra, P.R., four. Paul Venti, referee.

Judges—Harold Lederman and John Stewart.
Promoter—Elbaum-Menas Productions.
(10-05-82)

NIGEL COLLINS

▲ **McAFEE—Great George Resort**—Johnny (Bump City) Bumphus, 140, Clementon, N.J., tore Ricardo Jimenez, also 140, Los Angeles, apart and stopped him at 1:16 of the eighth round in a scheduled 10. Bumphus, a southpaw, is still undefeated. Jimenez is 28-7-2.

Former USBA featherweight champion Rocky Lockridge, 125½, Maple Shade, N.J., TKO'd Miguel Hernandez, 127, Los Angeles, at 2:01 of round three in their scheduled 10.

Livingston Bramble, 133¾, Passaic, TKO'd Miguel Meza, 133, Los Angeles, in four.

Marc (Boonton Bomber) Fichtner, 194, Boonton, N.J., kayoed Charlie Vanderhall, 195, Long Island, N.Y., in 2:48 of round three.

Victor Gordon, 143, Hillside, N.J., TKO'd Richie McCain, 138½, Philadelphia, at 2:59 of round two.

Ed Kinney, 131, Butler, N.J., won a split decision over Billy Strogolio, 128, Long Island, four.

James Dorsey, 161, Ellenville, N.Y., won a majority decision over Terry Polk, 160½, Long Island, four.

Referees—Larry Hazzard, Paul Venti.
Judges—Charley Spina, Frank Burnette.
NBC-TV.
(08-22-82)

▲ **McAFEE—Great Gorge Resort**—Bobby Czyz, 157½, Wanaque, N.J., TKO'd Chris Linson, 158, Santa Fe, New Mexico, at 2:10 of the second in a scheduled 10-rounder. Czyz is now 20-0 with 15 kayoes.

Rocky Lockridge, 127¼, Maple Shade, N.J., TKO'd durable Angel Lira, 125, Mexico City, at 2:03 of round six in their scheduled 10. Lockridge is now 28-2 with 23 kayoes.

James Pipps, 120¼, Vidor, Texas, outscored Ricardo Varela, 122¼, Los Angeles, 10.

Antonio Nieves, 127, Paterson, N.J., outpointed Jose Cuadrado, 127¾, Brooklyn, six.

Marc Fichtner, 193, Boonton, TKO'd Tommy May, 144½, Youngstown, Ohio, at 1:48 of the fourth.

Danny McElnea, 151¾, Essex Fells, N.J., TKO'd Roosevelt Farrell, 149¾, Mt. Vernon, N.Y., at 2:59 of the second.

Referees—Paul Venti, Arthur Mercante.
Judges—Charley Spina, Paul Cavalier.
Main Events.
(09-25-82)

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OREGON

▲ **PORTLAND—Marriott Hotel**—Ken Arlt, 211, Portland, won a majority decision over Ron Gibbs, 201, San Francisco, 10. Arlt bruised a tendon in his right hand during round two and relied on his left to pull out the win.

Charles (Machine Gun) Carter, 161, Portland, had the crowd on its feet as he put veteran Pedro Guerrero down once in the first and three times in the second before referee Jim Cassidy stopped the mauling at 2:31 of the latter round. Carter has kayoed four of his last five opponents.

Guy Villegas, 134, Eugene, stopped Roberto (Bird) Juarez, also 134, Los Angeles, at 2:44 of the fourth round. Villegas is now 6-1. Juarez is 4-2.

Jihad Karriem, 155, Portland, outscored Doug Holiman, 154, Portland, eight.

Steve Manning, 121½, Eugene, outpointed Hap Lyday, 122, Salem, four.

Referees—Jim Cassidy, Bill Thornberg.
Judges—Paul Weitzel, Ron Valeu, Cassidy, Thornberg.

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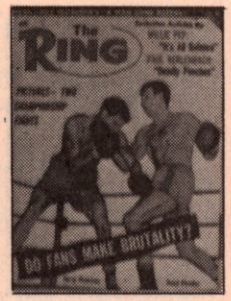

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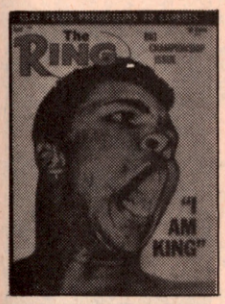

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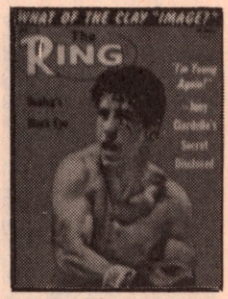

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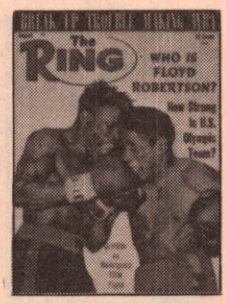

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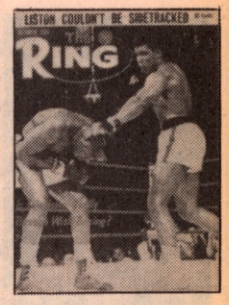

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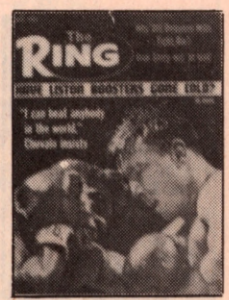

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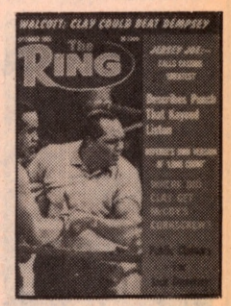

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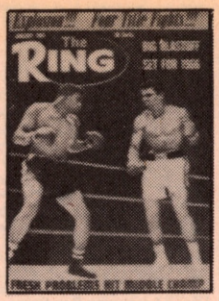

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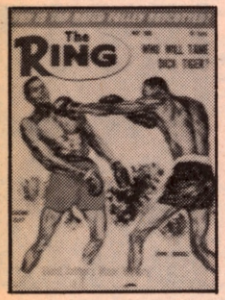

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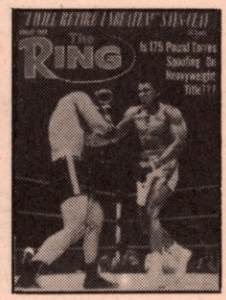

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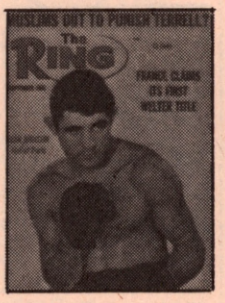

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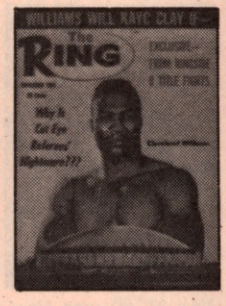

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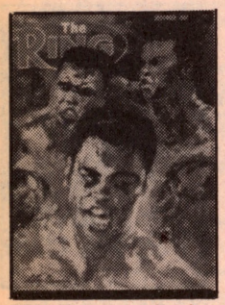

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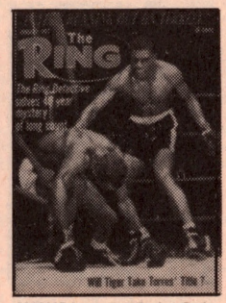

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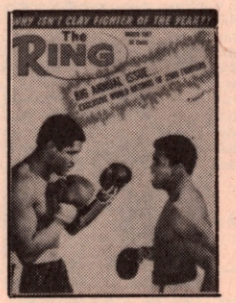

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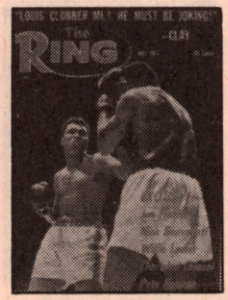

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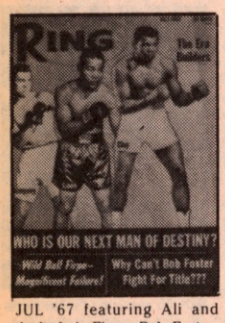

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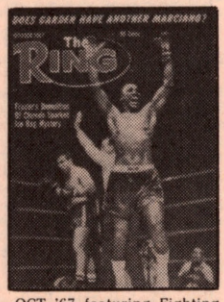

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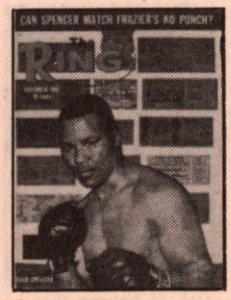

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Promoter—Dolores McNally/Sports Attractions, Inc.
Attendance—1,045. Gross—$8,519.
(10-01-82)

KATHERINE DUNN

PENNSYLVANIA

▲ CONSHOHOCKEN—McDonald Labor Lyceum— Another fine young talent card at this flourishing small club featured Mike Sheeran, 165½, Upper Darby, winning a split decision over Mike Grant, 158½, Philadelphia, six.

Comebacking oldie Robert Hill, 198, Philadelphia, scored an impressive TKO over youngster Dennis Rivers, 210, Atlantic City, at 2:15 of the second.

Mike Golden, 135, North Philly, won a unanimous decision over Joe Pickett, 133, Phoenixville, four.

Marvin Mack, 169, South Philly, easily belted out fumbling "Sonny" Crooms, 170, Philadelphia, with two knockdowns at 1:55 of the second.

Kermit Williams, 165½, Philadelphia, won a close majority decision over Ronald Palmer, 165, Pottstown, Pa., four.

Dennis Johnson, 152½, North Philadelphia, came from behind to kayo Mike Mobley, 154, Philly, with a right to the solar plexus in 2:20 of the third.

Tim Krauss, 136, Lindenwold, N.J., stopped Lloyd Jones, 139½, N. Philly, who was caught cold against the ropes at 2:25 of the first session.

Referees—Hank Cisco, Ozzie Sadler.
Judges—Al Morris, Joe Sweeney.
Timekeeper—Tommy Malandro.
Promoter—Bob Connelly. Matchmaker—Ted Larve.
Attendande—650 (est.). Gross—$6,500 (est.).
(08-25-82)

▲ PHILADELPHIA—Golden Eagle—Promoter Joe Verne's new matchmaker, Billy DeMarco, appears on the way to ruining this profitable and promising small club. Only two good top bouts saved this show, as DeMarco discovered a white "death wagon squad" from Ohio, then raided a few street corners around North Philly to fill out the undercard.

Unknown Phillipe Hannibal, Newark, gave local favorite Fred McMunn, Kensington, all he wanted enroute to losing a majority decision in the eight-round main event. McMunn, 159, looked sharp, and was able to penetrate the reach of the standup boxer, Hannibal 160½.

Francis Childs, 121, Pottstown, looked good with a repeat win over Herman Ingram, 123, Newark. A blistering body attack left the tough trailhorse defenseless at 1:45 of the fourth.

In the pathetic preliminaries, Paul Farley, 138¼, Columbus, Ohio, was the only loser who tried, and took a beating from Frank Montgomery, 141, Philadelphia, enroute to losing a unanimous decision, four.

Stumblebum Bobby O'Donnell, 159½, Columbus, tripped over his own feet and dislocated his shoulder for a TKO loss to Walter Sloan, 155, Bristol, Pa., at 0:30 of the first.

Touted "Sugar" Ray Falu, 165, Newark, showed nothing, as Tom Huston, 163½, Columbus, fell down twice for a TKO at 2:20 of the second.

Ernest (Kid) Twine, 151½, Atlantic City, knocked out pathetic stringbean Tim Davenport, 150, Philadelphia, who ran out of gas by 1:20 of the second.

Salim Muhammad, 170, Philly, dropped Cornell Williams, 179, Philadelphia, once in each round for a knockout in 0:58 of the second.

Francis Mooney, 165½, Westville, N.J., dropped reluctant Chris Hill, 163, Newark, in the first, but Hill hung around until TKO'd at 1:10 of the third.

Developing lightweight prospect Gregg Edelman, son of former pro Marvin Edelman, halted Wayne Williams in the third round of a good amateur bout.

Referees—Frank Cappuccino, Charles Sgrillo.
Judges—John Stewart, Bob LaGuardia.
Timekeeper—Tommy Malandro.
Announcer—Hank Kropinski.
Attendance—900 (est.). Gross—$9,000 (est.).
(08-26-82)

▲ HERSHEY—Arena—Still another promotional outfit decided to take the plunge, gaining only mixed results in this central Pennsylvania town that hadn't seen pro boxing in decades. A Philly-based entertainment outfit, All-Star Promotions (Rob Russen and Norman Joyce) teamed with the Hershey Arena, but, with a mismatched top and no local attractions, drew only 1,000 fans and $6,500.

The main event had Bobby (Boogaloo) Watts, in his first appearance anywhere near Philadelphia in years, against prelim kid Dennis Roberts of Spartanburg, South Carolina. Watts, 159, was staggered by a sneak right early in the second, but otherwise showed sharp combo punching and a rapier jab to badly bust up Roberts, 156½. Dennis was down in round three and was unable to answer the bell for the fourth.

In the semi, Spartanburg's Paul Gentry, becoming a basket case from too many overmatched beatings, was slapped around by Al Styles, 155, Philadelphia. Gentry, 153¾, was down twice in the first round and, stumbling all over the ring, stopped at 1:23 of the second. Had the winners been matched with each other, and likewise the losers, the fans might have had a good show. Instead, the uninitiated promoters did their matchmaking to suit the managers.

"Jocko" Johnson, 194, Philadelphia, knocked out overmatched and outweighed Ernest (Sugarbear) Crawford, 179, Hickory, N.C., at 0:20 of round three.

Derek Ennis, 158, Philly, won a hard fought unanimous decision over Jose Green, 157, Warminster, Pa., who was nearly out in the sixth and final round.

Tim Krauss, 137, Lindenwold, N.J., TKO'd Teddy Johnson, 138, Spartanburg, at 1:40 of the second. Johnson was down twice from rights in an exciting scrambler.

Referees—John Christopher, Mike Mittman.
Judges—Carol Polis, Paul Battle.
Timekeeper—Charles Daniels.
(09-02-82)

J.R. JOWETT

▲ SCRANTON—Catholic Youth Center—Steve Michalerya, 150, Allentown, won a split decision over Sean Mannion, 149, Boston, in the 10-round main event.

Michalerya used a left jab to good advantage and worked in occasional rights. Scoring: judges Frank Adams and Phil Bosha, 46-45 and 47-45, respectively, for Michalerya; referee Hank Cisco, 47-43, Mannion.

Jody Nabinger, 130, Endicott, New York, won a unanimous decision over Bobby Everett, 126, Boston, six.

Billy O'Rourke, 195, Wilkes-Barre, made his pro debut by stopping Jerry Foley, 215, Scranton, at 2:36 of the second in a scheduled six-rounder. Hank Cisco, referee.

Jimmy Restauri, 197, Wilkes-Barre, kayoed Ralph Kelly, 216, Syracuse, in 1:04 of the fifth round in their scheduled six. A right hand was the knockout punch.

Steve Garman, 128, Plymouth, Pa., TKO'd debuting Matt O'Malley, 133, West Scranton, at 1:18 of the fourth and final session. O'Malley had the edge, but an unlucky scalp wound forced a stoppage.

Minooka Boxing Club.
Matchmaker—Paul Ruddy.
Attendance—1,062.
(09-15-82)

JIM LEO

TEXAS

▲ FORT WORTH—Rodolfo (Gato) Gonzalez, 136½, Mexico, knocked out Robert Turner, 137½, Texas, in 1:17 of the first round in a scheduled 10.

Harold Petty, 118¾, Texas, won a unanimous decision over Roland Abila, also 118¾, 10.

Jay Strickland, 176¼, Texas, TKO'd James Churn, 181, Illinois, at 2:59 of round two in a scheduled eight.

Robin Blake, 134¾, Texas, TKO'd Roland Avila, 136½, Texas, at 1:13 of the sixth round in their scheduled eight.

Ford Jennings, 140, Texas, kayoed Ricardo Rodriguez, 136, Texas, in 1:18 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Eddie Richardson, 220½, Texas, won a unanimous decision over Lynnwood Jones, 273½, Oklahoma. Freddie Guzman, 177, Texas, TKO'd Butch Sanders, also 177, Arizona, at 0:32 of the fourth and final session. Bobby McCorvey, 154½, Texas, TKO'd Ronnie Warrior, 154¾, Oklahoma, at 1:23 of the second. Glenn Garrett, 172, Texas, knocked out James Stewart, 173¾, Texas, in 2:21 of the first round.

Officials—A.D. Bynam, Dick Cole, Ronnie Walters, Fred Thedford, Billy Fisher, Pat Patterson.
Timekeepers—Robert H. Ballew, Robert C. Ballew.
Ringside Physicians—Dr. James Marr, Dr. Gardner.
Promoter—Lester Bedford.
(09-09-82)

▲ PORT ARTHUR—Wilford Scypion, 163½, won a unanimous decision over Irving Hines, 162, 10.

Jerry Stoner, 147½, TKO'd Bobby McMillian, 146, at 2:10 of the sixth round in a scheduled eight.

Four-rounders: Lee Murphy, 161, TKO'd Jimmy Williams, also 161, at 2:00 of the second. Farrin Commeaux, 131, kayoed David Roggenkamp, 126¾, in 1:44 of the first round. Jeff Meachem, 191, knocked out Larry Paida, 214¾, in 1:35 of the second.

Referees— Mark Tessman, Manuel Hernandez.
Judges—Tessman, Hernandez, Paul Prejean.
Timekeepers—Fred McWylliams, Frank Martinez.
Ringside Physician—Dr. A.C. Walkes.
Promoter—Global Boxing.
(09-16-82)

▲ HARLINGEN—Alvaro Salazar, 130, Texas, knocked out Alfredo Reyes, 132, Mexico, in 1:40 of the fourth round in the scheduled eight-round main event.

Reggie Watson, 136, Texas, won a unanimous decision over Efren Oliva, 138¼, Texas, six.

Demmick Espree, 135¼, Texas, TKO'd Ismael Arambul, 132¼, Mexico, at 2:12 of the sixth and final round.

Four-rounders: Ruben Vasquez, 115, Texas, won a unanimous decision over Hugo Espinoza, 119, Mexico. Patrick Rivera, 112, kayoed Rodolpho Moreno, 113, Mexico, in 1:04 of the second. Jose Chavarria, 136, Mexico, TKO'd Frankie Garcia, 134, Mexico, at 0:56 of the first.

Officials—Tony Garcia, Humberto Barrera, Steve Flores.
Timekeepers—David Avalos, Bobby Wells.
Ringside Physician—Dr. Homer Aguilar.
Promoter—Eloy Sanchez.
(09-21-82)

▲ HOUSTON—Maurice (Termite) Watkins, 143¾, Texas, knocked out Paul Gentry, 147¾, North Carolina, in 0:39 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10.

Don Lee, 168, Texas, kayoed Earnest Crawford, 169, North Carolina, in 1:49 of the second in their scheduled 10.

Eddie Green, 147½, Texas, knocked out Ed Monique, 143½, Louisiana, in 2:34 of the third round in their scheduled 10.

Raymond Gonzales, 163, Texas, kayoed Hawthorne Davis, also 163, North Carolina, in 1:21 of the third round in a scheduled six.

David Rodriguez, 148½, Mexico, won a unanimous decision over Enrique Ponce, 150, Mexico, six.

James Harris, 152, Texas TKO'd Keith Walker, 151, North Carolina, at 1:49 of round three in a scheduled four.

Referees—Chris Jordan, Mark Tessman, Bob Martin.
Judges—David McCullough, Terry Daniels.
Timekeepers—Tommy Ferris, Jack Joerns.
Able Ten Promotions.
(09-22-82)

CANADA

ONTARIO

▲ TORONTO—St. Lawrence Market—Danny Sigouin, 146, Hull, floored John DeGazio, 147, Welland, three times and stopped him at 1:56 of the first session in a scheduled eight. Harry Davis, referee. Sigouin is now 3-2. DeGazio is 16-3.

Harold Brazier, 146, Indiana, stopped Dave Marin, 148, London, Ontario, at 0:39 of the eighth and final round. Martin dropped to 10-2.

Medrick Marsh, 147½, Toronto, knocked out Daniel Gagnon, 145½, Hull, in 3:04 of the third round in a scheduled six. Marsh is now 3-1. Gagnon is 0-5.

Sylvester Price, 129½, Indiana, won a split decision over Paul Stewart, also 129½, Toronto, four.

Dave O'Callaghan, 143, Toronto, halted Mike Scott, also 143, Toronto, at 2:08 of the first round in their scheduled four. It was Scott's pro debut.

Referees—Harry Davis, Lionel Sullivan.
Judges—Jackie Silvers, John LaPadula, Ray Hipiloto.
Timekeepers—Arnold Paris, Frank Shilillo.
Ringside Physician—Dr. Bruce Stewart.
Announcer—Tony Unitas.
Promoters—Sam Mizzi and Anita Ritz.
Attendance—400 (est.).
(09-20-82)

▲ KITCHENER—Marshall Hall—Donnie LaLonde, 173, Kitchener, TKO'd Jimmy (Schoolboy) Baker, 165½, Scottsdale, Indiana, at 2:29 of the eighth and final round in a terrific bout. No knockdowns; LaLonde just wore Baker down and caught him on the ropes in the last session.

Donnie Vandell, 171, Winnipeg, decked Frank Mills, 160, Liberty, Indiana, three times in the fifth round for a stoppage at the 2:30 mark. Scheduled for eight.

Hardy Jones, 155, Indiana, halted Charles Minty, 147, Winnipeg, at 1:11 of the second round in a scheduled five.

Duncan Adams, 158, Winnipeg, kayoed Dave Baker, 162, Indiana, in 2:34 of the second in a scheduled four-rounder.

Felix Venderpool, 132, Kitchener, knocked out Ray Lonaker, 131, Indiana, in 2:36 of the first round in their scheduled four.

Referees—Ed Gaudet, S. Luftspring.
Judges—C. Williams, J. McLean, Ed Gaudet, S. Luftspring.
Timekeepers—A. Paris, Dennis Clarke.
Ringside Physician—Dr. C. Cox.
Announcer—Bryan Lamnert.
Promoter—John LaLonde.
Attendance—750 (est.).
(09-30-82)

QUEBEC

▲ MONTREAL—Paul Sauve Arena—Donnie Poole, 144, Toronto, halted Gaetan Hart, 139, at 0:59 of the third. Hart, the Canadian lightweight champ, was subbing for welterweight king Mario Cusson, who was scheduled to defend his title against Poole. Donnie, the number one welter contender, is now 15-1-1.

Ralph Hollet, 164, Halifax, knocked out Eddie Mello, 170, Toronto, with a murderous left hook in the fourth round of their slated 10. Hollet looks like the next Canadian middleweight champ.

Dave Hilton, 144½, Montreal, blasted out overmatched Robert Green, 142, Fredericton, at 2:30 of the first session in a scheduled six.

Alex Hilton, 156¼, Montreal, kayoed Kevin Forret, 154½, Fredericton, in 0:58 of the second round in a scheduled four.

Deano Clavet, 160½, Montreal, halted Pierre Savard, 158, Quebec, at 0:30 of the second in their scheduled four-rounder.

An early night for Montreal fans, as the entire card lasted just a little over half an hour.

Referees—F. Deegan, G. Jutras, R. Doutre, J. Simpson.
Judges—Beaudry, Bergeron, Greene, Nadeau.
Timekeepers—M. Vermette, M. Aubert.
Ringside Physicians—Louis LeClerc, J. J. Barbeau.
Announcer—Bob Rivest.
Promoter—H.F.S., Inc./Henri Spitzer.
Attendance—7,221.
(09-21-82)

FRANK ALLNUTT

BRITISH COLUMBIA

▲ VANCOUVER—Agradome—Gord Racette, 214, Port Alberni, B.C., won a split decision over veteran Scott LeDoux, 222, Minneapolis, 10. Scoring: Dave Boyd and Korky Kalius, 96-95 and 98-97, respectively, Racette; Len Walters, 97-94, LeDoux. Racette brought the crowd to its feet early in the first round with a perfectly timed right hook that floored LeDoux for an eight-count. Scott came back to deck Gord in the third.

Ken LaKusta, Edmonton, won a close but unanimous decision over LeRoy James, Seattle, in the 10-round heavyweight co-feature.

Lane Olson, Seattle, halted Ron Solecki after two rounds, heavies.

Perry Evans, Victoria, upset Mike Muldoon, Vancouver, in a briskly fought junior middleweight bout.

Jesse Toro outscored Robert Villarreal in the four-round middleweight opener.
(09-23-82)

JIM JOHNSTON

MEXICO

BAJA CALIFORNIA

▲ MEXICALI—Javier (Changa) Marquez, 117, stopped Rosendo (Rocky) Alonso, also 117, in three. Kearns Ibarra, 158,

MEXICAN RATINGS
(AS OF OCTOBER 2, 1982)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Fernando (Toro) Montes
1. Abraham (Yaqui) Meneses
2. Aldo Montes
3. Jose (Laredo) Gonzalez

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
David (Maceton) Cabrera
1. Lorenzo Benitez
2. Marcos Geraldo
3. Ramon Ronquillo
4. Julio Cruz
5. Ladislao (Ruso) Mijangos

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Andres (Pantera) Ramirez
1. Antonio Leyva
2. Abel Cordoba
3. Gonzalo (Raton) Montes
4. Jose Mireles
5. Rafael Corona
6. Manuel Torres
7. Ernesto Escalante
8. Pedro (Tiburon) Diaz
9. Teodoro Dominguez
10. Othon Guzman

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Felipe Vaca
1. Rafael Nunez
2. Raymundo (Battling) Torres II
3. Jorge Vaca
4. Gerardo Derbez
5. Gil Canchola
6. Leonardo (Chino) Bermudez
7. Dario Lopez
8. Juan Elizondo
9. Jose Duarte
10. Jorge Torres

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Jose Luis Ramirez
1. Jose Luis Castillo
2. Cayetano Correa
3. Rene Arredondo
4. Julio Cesar Chavez
5. Vincente S. Mijares
6. Ricardo (Leoncito) Peralta
7. Ramon Avitia
8. Jose Luis Soberanos
9. Rafael Chavez
10. Roque Montoya

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Marcos Villasana
1. Reyes Gonzalez
2. Juan Paredes
3. Antonio de la Paz
4. Martin (Camaron) Castro
5. Miguel Angel Alvarez
6. Joaquin Acuna
7. Mauricio Beltran
8. Luis Gonzalez
9. Justo Garcia
10. Hector (Young Casanova) Medina

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Daniel Zaragoza
1. Javier (Changa) Marquez
2. Jorge Ramirez
3. Rigoberto (Gigio) Estrada
4. Jesus (Chuyin) Lopez
5. Gilberto Roman
6. Diego Avila
7. Leonardo Valdez
8. Mario Gomez
9. Jose Salas
10. Heriberto Saavedra

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Jose Gallegos
1. Gabriel Bernal
2. Roberto (Lobita) Ramirez
3. Rodolfo Ortega
4. Jorge Manuel Vera
5. Ernesto Guevara
6. Mario Gonzalez
7. Jose (Pepillo) Herrera
8. Rafael (Raton) Alonso
9. Chano Muniz
10. Tony Escobar

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Luis Fernando (Pringa) Hernandez
1. Aaron Garcia
2. Candido Tellez
3. Francisco (Cochulito) Montiel
4. Isidro Perez
5. Javier Lucas
6. Juan Manuel Rios
7. Alejandro Flores
8. Venancio Rosas
9. Filiberto (Macanas) Gonzalez
10. Pedro Moreno

stopped Hector (Toro) Medina, 159, in one.
(10-01-82)

COAHUILA

▲ **TORREON**—Vicente Saldivar Mijares, 135, TKO'd Rodolfo (Gato) Gonzalez, 136, in nine. Memo Miranda, 135, halted Eloy Fernandez, also 135, in two. Nacho Ramirez, 124, kayoed Jose Vasquez, 125, in three. Enrique Ursua, 116, and Manuel Martinez, 115, drew, eight.
(10-01-82)

▲ **MONCLOVA**—Javier (Memin) Barcenas, 134, knocked out Javier Martinez, 135, in the ninth round.
(09-10-82)

FEDERAL DISTRICT

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Bonifacio Flores, 126, TKO'd Arturo (Cuyito) Hernandez, 125, in eight. Martin Perez, 112, TKO'd Gerardo Gonzalez, 111, in six. Ruben Lira, 119, knocked out Jorge Lua, 120, in two. Pedro Pineda, 110, TKO'd Wilfredo Castillo, also 110, in two.
(09-08-82)

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Jose (Pepillo) Herrera, 112, outpointed Tony Escobar, also 112, 10. Alberto Garciz, 108, TKO'd Ramon Lopez, 109, in three. Damian Hernandez, 117, TKO'd Juan Velazco, 118, in five. Carlos Rezago, 111, outscored Juventino Guevara, also 111, six. Nino Alonso, 117, kayoed Guillermo Cazeli, 119, in one.
(09-11-82)

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Antonio de la Paz, 120, TKO'd Ruben Solorio, 121, in six. Filiberto (Macanas) Gonzalez, 108, outscored Tomas Cuellar, also 108, 10. Carlos de la Paz, 113, TKO'd Jesus Tejeda, also 113, in two. Jose Luis Luna, 147, TKO'd Juan Neri, 146, in two. Juan Camacho, 125, flattened Jose Flores, 124, in three.
(09-18-82)

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Gilberto Roman, 116, halted Fidel Martinez, 115, in six. Mario Olmede, 148, outpointed Luciano Hernandez, 146, 10. Pedro Montero, 124, TKO'd Jose Luis Garrido, 125, in two. Armando Marin, 115, TKO'd Angel Vargas, 114, in one. Ciro Armenged, 111, outpointed Ignacio Correa, also 111, four.
(09-22-82)

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Reyes Gonzalez, 124, halted Elpidio Infante, 125, in four. Raul Dominguez, 112, outpointed Angel Ortega, also 112, 10. Jesus Ramirez, 135, trimmed Miguel Dominguez, 134, eight. Agustin Vicenteno, 135, TKO'd Ricardo Maldonado, 136, in three. Saturnino Alonso, 117, TKO'd Jorge Alvarez, 119, in three.
(09-25-82)

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Heriberto Saavedra, 118, outpointed Manuel (Guapo) Luna, also 118, 10. Hilario Duran, 119, outscored Mario Marin, 120, eight. Hugo Anguiano, 115, outpointed Herminio Hernandez, 116, six. Guillermo Moreno, 134, outscored Jaime Martinez, also 134, six. Mario Alberto Rodriguez, 117, outpointed Armando Marin, also 117, four.
(09-29-82)

▲ **MEXICO CITY**—Leonardo (Chino) Bermudez, 147, TKO'd Jose Duarte, also 147, in the first round. Mario (Chapo) Nava, 112, stopped Antonio Gallegos, 114, in two. Arturo Tovar, 108, kayoed Andres Jimenez, 107, in five. Arturo Coutino, 146, knocked out Jacinto Gonzalez, also 146, in three. Javier Torres, 117, outscored Jesus Galicia, also 117, four. Isidro Caceres, 111, outpointed Ricardo Aguilar, 110, four.
(10-02-82)

GUERRERO

▲ **IGUALA**—Efrain Pintor, 124, TKO'd Julio (Rubia) Avendano, 125, in three. Jose Escamilla, 134, TKO'd Antonio Ramirez, 136, in one.
(09-10-82)

▲ **ACAPULCO**—Jose (Latigo) Mendoza, 119, TKO'd David (Diablito) Cruz, 118, in five. Pablo Miranda, 111, outscored Jose Fuentes, also 111, 10. Arturo Campos, 107, knocked out Jose Bustos, 108, in three. Jesus Maganda, 117, kayoed Gonzalo Moctezuma, also 117, in two. Andres Tellez, 119, outpointed Pablo Arce, also 119, four.
(09-10-82)

▲ **IGUALA**—Enrique Ursua, 117, outpointed Jesus (Duende) Chavez, 118, eight. Donaciano Estrella, 119, TKO'd Carlos Hernandez, 118, in seven.
(09-03-82)

▲ **IGUALA**—Jose Franco, 134, halted Pedro (Mortero) Lopez in five. Enrique Romero, 118, won by a disqualification over Fernando (Soldadito) Teran, also 118, in nine.
(09-17-82)

▲ **ACAPULCO**—Isidro Perez, 108, knocked out Juan Manuel Rios, also 108, in the 10th round to retain his Guerrero State junior flyweight crown.
(10-01-82)

HIDALGO

▲ **PACHUCA**—Fidencio Gonzalez, 124, outpointed Jorge Martinez Mercado, 125, 10. Roberto Arredondo, 134, kayoed Pablo Pliego, 137, in the fifth round. Benjamin Moreno, 135, iced Francisco Bracamentes, also 135, in one
(10-01-82)

JALISCO

▲ **GUADALAJARA**—Ranulfo Cardona, 135, outscored Armando Guzman, 134, 10. Eduardo Dominguez, 111, stopped Roberto Sandoval, 112, in two.
(09-10-82)

▲ **GUADALAJARA**—Andres Felix, 125, TKO'd Alfonso (Buho) Rodriguez, 124, in nine.
(09-17-82)

▲ **GUADALAJARA**—Humberto (Hungaro) Martinez, 118, kayoed Juan Isidro, 117, in five.
(10-01-82)

OAXACA

▲ **SALINA CRUZ**—Austreberto (Beto) Perez, 120, TKO'd Manuel Medina, 118, in seven.
(09-10-82)

QUINTANA ROO

▲ **CHETUMAL**—Eduardo (Lalo) Acosta, 108, TKO'd Camino Ortiz, 112, in six. Freddie Santos, 111, outscored Jose Luis Aban, 112, eight. Carlos Medina, 107, outpointed Monito Puc, also 107, six. Jorge Rivera, 108, stopped Willie Gomez, 107, in two.
(10-01-82)

SINALOA

▲ **CULIACAN**—Jesus (Chuyin) Lopez, 118, won by a disqualification over Diego Avila, also 118, in nine. Romeo Isunza, 119, kayoed Ringo Vera, 120, in three. Jose (Torito) Coronado, 116, stopped Mike Espinosa, also 116, in four.
(09-10-82)

SONORA

▲ **GUAYMAS**—Mauricio Beltran, 125, kayoed Hector (Young Casanova) Medina, 124, in eight.
(10-01-82)

▲ **CIUDAD OBREGON**—Martin Quiroz, 134, chilled Celso Limon, 135, in seven. Pedro Rabago, 112, stiffened Celso perez, 111, in six to win the Sonora State flyweight title.
(10-01-82)

▲ **HERMOSILLO**—Jose Luis Ramirez, 135, stopped Francisco Delgado, also 135, in four. Juan Antonio Lopez, 123, kayoed Alfonso (Peppermint) Frazer, 124, Panama, in two. Manuel (Topo Gigio) Vazquez, 118, TKO'd Fernando Segura, 117, in six.
(10-01-82)

YUCATAN

▲ **MERIDA**—Ramon (Chopas) Ortiz, 112, won the Yucatan State flyweight crown by outpointing Alfredo Chale, also 112, 12. Javier Alonso, 108, outpointed Tony Hong, 109,10. Jose Alfredo (Baby Luis III) Keb, 107, TKO'd Felipe (Tigre) Rodriguez, 108, in three. Martin Barrera, 121, outscored Jose Borges, 122, four. Tony Solis, 135, TKO'd Rene Morcillo, 136, in four.
(09-25-82)

EDUARDO AMER G.

SOUTH AMERICA

COLOMBIA

▲ **BARRANQUILLA—Humberto Perea Coliseum**—Local idol Felipe Orozco, a southpaw, halted Carlos (Canonero) Mendoza, Panama, who was unable to answer the bell for the seventh round of their scheduled 10-round junior featherweight contest. Orozco was down from a right to the jaw in the third round, but he put on another fine show to cop the 14th win of his professional career.

Leonardo Aguaslimpias, Quido, outscored Jose Antonio Gallego, Mexico, 10, bantams.

Sugar Baby Rojas, Colombia, won a unanimous decision over Rodolfo Flores, Mexico, 10, flyweights.

Martin Rojas retained his Colombian junior welter crown with a sixth round TKO over Fernando Alban, Cali.
(08-06-82)

LUIS A. GONZALEZ

EUROPE

UNITED KINGDOM

▲ **WEMBLEY—Arena**—Colin Jones, British welter champ, 146, successfully defended his Commonwealth crown by knocking out Sakarai Ve, Fiji, 147, early in round two. Jones set his man up with left hooks before dumping him on the canvas in his own corner.

It was a surprise ending, and the only factor that might have contributed was that Ve was a pound overweight when he first jumped on the scales.

This had been a quickly arranged substitute bout. Originally, Jones was matched with Hans Henrik Palm in a European title fight, but the latter pulled out because of a promotorial dispute.

Ve, the legitimate contender for the Commonwealth crown, had made two previous unsuccessful challenges, but succumbed very easily on this occasion. In the first round, he boxed efficiently, then seemingly folded up.

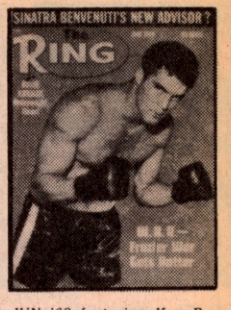
JAN '68 featuring Emile Griffith, George Carpentier, Joe Frazier, Jerry Quarry, Vicente Saldivar-Howard Winstone, more

FEB '68 featuring Ali and draft, Boone Kirkman, Bob Foster, Sammy Mendell, Fujii-Loche?, more

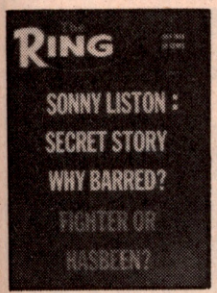
MAR '68 featuring Jimmy Ellis, Madison Square Garden 1879-1968, Fighter-Fight of the Year, more

APR '68 featuring Bob Foster, Rocky Marciano, Muhammad Ali, Jerry Quarry, Irish fighters, more

MAY '68 featuring Joe Frazier, Nino Benvenuti, Heavyweight eliminations, Howard Winstone, training camps, more



JUN '68 featuring Ken Buchanan, Boone Kirkman, left-handers, Frank Sinatra and boxing, more



JUL '68 featuring Jose Torres, Willie Ritchie, Curtis Cokes, Sonny Liston, Jimmy Ellis, more

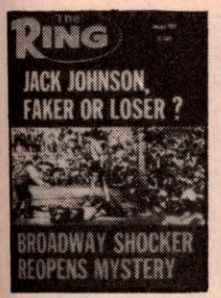
AUG '68 featuring Fleischer on Clay, Foster-Tiger, Angelo Dundee, Bruno Acari, more

SEP '68 featuring Bob Foster, Joe Frazier, Sam Langford, Ortiz-Curz, Bromberg on champs, more

OCT '68 featuring Fleischer on Sonny Liston, Joe Louis, Famechon, Laguna, Olympic fighters, computer rates middleweights, more

NOV '68 featuring Emile Griffith, Bennie Briscoe, Fritzie Zivic, Joey Archer, Jose Legra, more

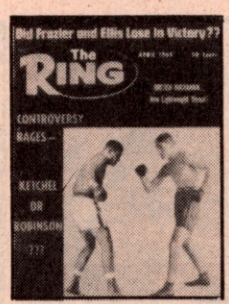
DEC '68 featuring Jimmy Ellis, Bob Foster, Frank DePaula, George Chuvalo, Texas boxing, more



JAN '69 featuring Curtis Cokes, Tiger-DePaula, George Foreman, Philly fighters, all-time middleweights, more

FEB '69 featuring George Foreman, Petrolle-Hurley, Chartchai Chionoi, Lou Brouillard, Too many champs—Schmeling, more

MAR '69 featuring Jess Willard's death, Fighter-Fight-Round of the Year, Official World Ratings, more



APR '69 featuring Foster-DePaula, Fleischer blasts computers, Jose Legra, Emile Griffith, more

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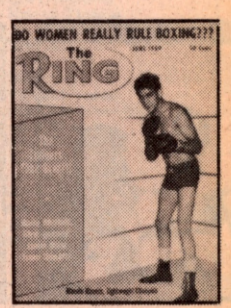

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JUL '69 featuring Fleicher on heavyweights Napoles-Cokes, Jose Legra, Jack Dempsey, Jerry Quarry, Prize Ring, more

SEP '69 featuring Efren Torres, Frazier-Ellis have to fight, comebacks, Nino Benvenuti, Frazier-Quarry, more

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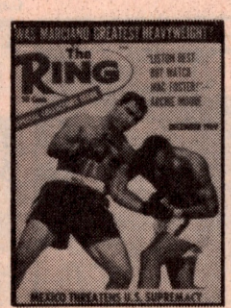

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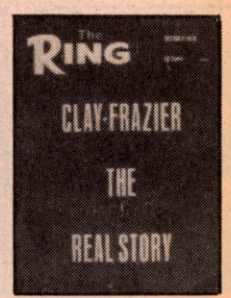

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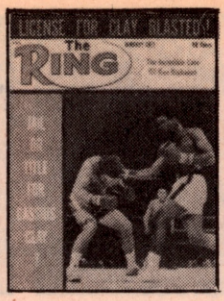

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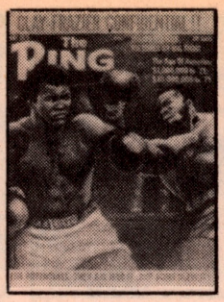

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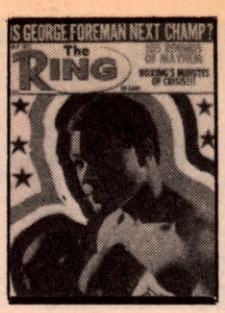

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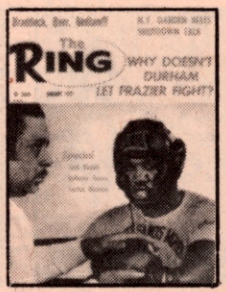

JAN '72 featuring Fleischer speaks out, Braddock, Baer, Chris Dundee, Jack Bodell, George Foreman, more

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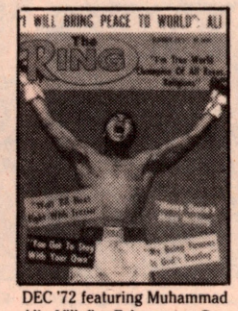

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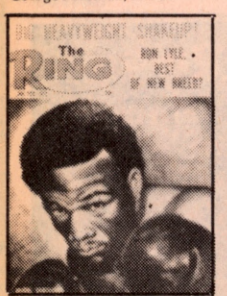
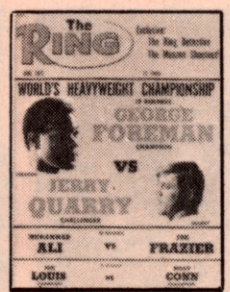


JAN '73 featuring Ernie Terrell, WBA revolution, Jamaica gets title bout, Lyle-Mathis, more

FEB '73 featuring Ali-Foster, Ron Lyle, Enrique Pinder, Esteban DeJesus, Jack Hurley 1897-1972, more

APR '73 featuring Foreman-Frazier, Ted Carroll, Ray Seales-Olympic gold, Roberto Duran, more

May '73 featuring George Foreman, Antonio Cervantes, Quarry-Lyle, Venice Borkorsor, British boxing, more



JUN '73 featuring Ali's broken jaw, Monzon shooting, Jose Napoles, Ken Norton, Shibata-Villaflor, more

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No reflection on Jones, who did what he had to do quickly and competently.

European middleweight champion Tony Sibson, 161½, beat Antonio Garrido, 162, who retired at the end of round eight in a scheduled 10. Official reason was cuts, but Garrido looked as if he'd had enough.

Old pro Garrido boxed on the retreat and relied on his ringcraft to try and keep out of trouble. He made Sibson miss on several occasions, but his jabs carried no weight.

When Sibson failed to catch up with his man after six rounds, slow handclapping broke out among impatient fans. But Tony wasted no time in round eight, opening out with both hands and having Garrido in trouble.

When the round ended, Antonio sank down wearily in his corner, indicating that the spirit was willing but the flesh was weak. He was cut by both eyes, and it came as no surprise when his retirement was announced.

Garrido's ring know how made Sibson look clumsy at times, but this is easy for a boxer whose only aim is survival. When the chips were down, Tony cut his man down to size in a matter of seconds.

Kevin Smart, 111, won the vacant British flyweight title by knocking out fellow Welshman Dave George, 111¾, in round six. This reporter can't remember a previous occasion on which a national title fight was the opening bout on the bill.

Smart set the pattern from the opening round, coming forward with an accurate left jab, then crossing his right and keeping his man on the retreat.

The power of Smart's punches soon had their effect. George slowed considerably as the fight progressed, and Smart actually quickened the pace to put his man under intense pressure.

George went to the canvas in round five, albeit from a slip, and Smart was warned for throwing a punch while he was down. However, in the following round, Smart launched an all-out attack, catching his opponent with two hefty left hooks and then decking him for the full count with a similar punch.

Smart will now be chasing European champion Charlie Magri, who relinquished the British title. Kevin's only defeat as a pro was against Enrique Rodriguez Cal.

Frank Bruno, Wandsworth, 218, the man many see as a future British heavyweight champion who could go even farther, enhanced his reputation with a first round stoppage over George Scott, Newcastle, 219¾.

The bout was halted after Scott had been down twice—time, 2:42. The punches were a right uppercut and a left hook.

Nick Wilshire, 154, kept his unbeaten record by stopping Horace McKenzie, 154¼, the referee intervening in round five after McKenzie had been down three times. It was an impressive performance by Wilshire against a man who had gone the distance against European champion Jorgen Hansen.

Peter Jones, 117, didn't loose a round in outscoring Robert Hepburn, Norwich, 119¼, by 60-56½ over six. Hepburn's nose bled profusely from the opening round, and was an obvious handicap. He kept upright until the final round, when he was floored from a left hook, but got up pluckily to see it through until the final bell.
(09-14-82)

▲ **LONDON—Hornsey Town Hall—**Returning after a long lay-off, Stan McDermott, Dagenham, 211, won an uninspiring contest by outpointing Steve Gee, Birmingham, 204, over eight by 79½-78.

The bout was marred by too much holding, and the referee stopped the "action" in round six to warn both men.

McDermott had a swelling under his right eye in round six after a clash of heads, and Gee was cut by the left eye in the following session. The liveliest round was the last, and Gee had the last word with a left hand that shook his opponent momentarily.

Terry Marsh, Basildon, 141, didn't lose a round outpointing Robert Armstrong, Doncaster, over eight by 80-76½. A comfortable victory, but full marks to Armstrong for continuing to fight back under extreme pressure.

John Bibby, Bradford, outpointed Sam Omedi, Plymouth, over six by 60-57½, not losing a round of this welterweight bout.

Debutant Joey Joynson, Liverpool, 124½, beat Peter Gabbitus, 127½, the bout being stopped in round two after Gabbitus had been down briefly.

Wick Courtney, Finchley, 156, defeated substitute Phil Williams, Pembroke, 160½, the referee intervening in round four with Williams adjudged in no condition to carry on.

Martin Patrick, 152¼, outscored Bert Myrie, Wolverhampton, 152, over six by 59½-58.
(09-07-82)

▲ **SOUTH SHIELDS—Buddy's Nitespot—**Graeme Ahmed, 156, scored a narrow points win over former British welter and light middle champion Pat Thomas. Scoreline: 98½-98 over 10.

A close one, hotly disputed by Thomas, who declared that Ahmed hadn't won a round. Ahmed was just as convinced that he had won, said he felt he could do another 10 rounds if necessary, but paid tribute to Thomas' ability.

Inactive for six months, Ahmed frequently made the play, but failed to follow up his advantages, allowing Thomas to get back into the fight. The latter, on the other hand, didn't work as hard as Ahmed, although showing good ringcraft.

Taking into consideration the fact that it was Ahmed's first 10-rounder, also his period of inactivity, it was perhaps understandable that he should want to pace the fight instead of taking unnecessary chances.

Barry Ahmed, 166½, was the second member of the family to win by half a point, outscoring Winston Burnett, 167, over eight by 79½-79. And, like Graeme, it was his first venture over a longer distance. His cleaner punching saw him through.

Ray Plant, South Shields, 125½, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Keith Foreman, Hartlepool, 127. Scoreline: 59½-58½.

When they met before, Plant sustained a broken jaw, and it looked ominous when he took a head punch in round four and went down for a brief count. However, he quickly got up, and looked fine for the rest of the bout.

Vinnie Vahey, Sheffield, 133, didn't lose a round outpointing Kevin Howard, Sunderland, 128, by 60-59 over six.

Encouraging note—the show, promoted by Ahmed's manager, Tommy Conroy, and Frankie Deans, was a sell-out.
(08-31-82)

▲ **LONDON—Regent Crest Hotel—**Gary Knight, 142, drew with Dave Sullivan, Plymouth, 144, over eight. Knight had a swelling by his right eye in round four, Sullivan got a nick by the right eye in the following session, and Knight finished strongly to be awarded a draw.

Danny Shinkwin, Boreham Wood, 147, narrowly outscored Danny Myers, Northampton, over six by 59-58½. A good scrap, both boxers being late substitutes.

Andy MacDonald (formerly Straughn), 181, beat Joe Frater, Grimsby, 180, the referee intervening in round three with Frater taking punishment on the ropes.
(09-04-82)

▲ **CREWE—Oakley Leisure Centre—**Alan Tombs, Guildford, 128, narrowly outscored Stewart Shaw, 125, over eight by 78½-78. Some thought Shaw deserved at least a draw, if only because of his superior workrate.

Hugh Johnson, Small Heath, 163½, defeated Mark Kelly, Crewe, 160, the bout being stopped in round three after the latter had been down.

Phil O'Hare, 150, drew with Dave Harrison, 148, over six.

Decking his man four times, Rocky Severino, Stoke, 149, eventually had to settle for a points win over Dave Cox, Northampton, 147. Scoreline: 59½-58½ over six.

Anthony Brown, Islington, 117, didn't lose a round outpointing debutant Dave Khan, Stoke, 116, over six by 60-58.
(09-07-82)

▲ **SHEFFIELD—Top Rank Suite—**Brian Anderson, Sheffield, 152, gained an impressive points victory over Darwin Brewster, Cardiff, 152½. Scoreline: 99½-96½, indicating that the loser had only one round out of 10.

Anderson started confidently, built up a good lead, and it wasn't until round six that Brewster began to show his true form. By then, the leeway was too great, and in any case Anderson was soon on top again.

Brewster was down twice, but both were ruled as slips by the referee. The Cardiff boxer had one moment of glory—a punch on the chin in round six that was a glancing blow rather than right on target, and Anderson escaped.

In round seven, Anderson was cut on the left eyebrow. It required a couple of stitches, but it din't seem to bother him.

This was an official eliminator for Herol Graham's British nteresting, as Graham is Anderson's stablemate.

Mick Mills, Rotherham, 148, avenged a previous defeat by beating Joey Mack, 150½, who came in as a substitute. The referee intervened in round two after Mack had been down *eight times*.

John Ridgeman, London, 154, defeated Bert Myrie, Wolverhampton, 152. Another stoppage, this time in round five after Myrie was cut by the left eye and had been down.

Another stoppage—Dino Wallace, Wolverhampton, 158, beat Johnny Andrews, London, in round four, when the latter had sustained cuts and had been on the deck.

And yet another stoppage—Tony Brown, Islington, 124,

LATIN AMERICAN RATINGS
BY THE LATIN AMERICAN BOXING FEDERATION
(AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1982)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Luis Acosta (Argentina)
1. Bernardo Mercado (Colombia)
2. Domingo D'Elia (Argentina)
3. Gilberto Acuna (Costa Rica)
4. Ruben Zamaro (Argentina)
5. Jorge Flores (Argentina)
6. Wendell Joseph (Trinidad)
7. Luis Figueroa (Argentina)
8. Eddie Lopez (Mexico)
9. Eusebio Hernandez (Mexico)
10. Waldemar Paulino (Brazil)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Miguel Cea (Chile)
1. Tomas Polo (Colombia)
2. Jorge Salgado (Argentina)
3. Oscar Rivadeneyra (Peru)
4. Antonio Garrido (Chile)
5. Carlos Flores Burlon (Uruguay)
6. Abel Bailone (Argentina)
7. Stanley Williams (St. Maarteen)
8. David Cabrera (Mexico)
9. Luis Mora (Ecuador)
10. Ini Zimmerman (Guyana)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Jacinto Fernandez (Argentina)
1. Manuel Zambrano (Colombia)
2. Antonio Monteno (Curacao)
3. Dunio Mercado (Ecuador)
4. Marcos Geraldo (Mexico)
5. Juan M. Roldan (Argentina)
6. Hugo Corro (Argentina)
7. Sigrido Colorado (Colombia)
8. Joaquin Macias (Mexico)
9. Ruben Pardo (Argentina)
10. Jose Baquedano (Mexico)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Patrizio Diaz (Argentina)
1. Emiliano Villa (Colombia)
2. Alejandro Garrido (Chile)
3. Kenny Bristol (Guyana)
4. Marcelo Quinonez (Peru)
5. Pedro Cisneros (Nicaragua)
6. Rafael Donado (Colombia)
7. Gilberto Bustos (Colombia)
8. Joao Tavarez (Brazil)
9. Walter Gomez (Argentina)
10. Jose Vallejo (Dominican Rep.)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Fernando Rocco Castro (Peru)
1. Jose Joaquin Baret (Dominican Rep.)
2. Alfonso Torres (Colombia)
3. Humberto Barloa (Argentina)
4. Inocencio (Mao) de la Rosa (Dominican Rep.)
5. Victor Nilo (Chile)
6. Pedro Gallardo (Peru)
7. Matteo Valdes (Cpn)
8. Segundo Murillo (Ecuador)
9. Frank Albertus (Curacao)
10. Eduardo Rodriguez (Panama)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Mercedes Espinoza (Peru)
1. Adriano (Nani) Marrero (Dominican Rep.)
2. Jose Angulo (Colombia)
3. Reyes Antonio Cruz (Dominican Rep.)
4. Ricardo Alfaro (Argentina)
5. Alfredo Estrada (Peru)
6. Agustin Caballero (Panama)
7. Miguel Montilla (Dominican Rep.)
8. Martin Rojas (Colombia)
9. Cesar Navas (Venezuela)
10. Wianey Ruiz (Costa Rica)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Orlando Romero (Peru)
1. Sergio Alvarez (Colombia)
2. Carlos Lavalle (Peru)
3. Ruddy Alpizar (Costa Rica)
4. Emilio Guerrero (Nicaragua)
5. Luis Beltran (Venezuela)
6. Eduardo Valdez (Colombia)
7. Angel Diaz (Panama)
8. Wilber Delgado (Costa Rica)
9. Juan Carrion (Peru)
10. Roberto Bido (Dominican Rep.)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Benedicto Villablanca (Chile)
1. Wilson Arias (Colombia)
2. Pedro Ray Miranda (Chile)
3. Roberto Collin (Costa Rica)
4. Ezequiel (Cocoa) Sanchez (Dominican Rep.)
5. Carlos Alberto Silva (Brazil)
6. Alvaro Moreno (Colombia)
7. Jose Vidal (Dominican Rep.)
8. Denys Moran (Nicaragua)
9. Gustavo de la Cruz (Dominican Rep.)
10. Geronimo Luque (Argentina)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Victor Torres (Peru)
1. Johnny de la Rosa (Dominican Rep.)
2. Patrick Ford (Guyana)
3. Jose Monita Jimenez (Dominican Rep.)
4. Francisco Fernandez (Panama)
5. Idabeth Rojas (Colombia)
6. Ruben Veliz (Venezuela)
7. Alvaro Narvaez (Colombia)
8. Guillermo Morales (Mexico)
9. Pascual Patterson (Panama)
10. Hipolito Nunez (Argentina)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Cleo Garcia (Nicaragua)
1. Jose Caba (Dominican Rep.)
2. Felipe Orozco (Colombia)
3. Esteban Bustos (Argentina)
4. Julio Llerena (Colombia)
5. Luis Alvarez (Argentina)
6. Felix Rodriguez (Panama)
7. Mario Wilson (Nicaragua)
8. Juan Araneda (Chile)
9. Alamiro Montalvo (Ecuador)
10. Raul Gonzalez (Venezuela)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Benito Badilla (Chile)
1. Ruben Palacios (Colombia)
2. Ricardo Bennett (Panama)
3. Homer Meza (Colombia)
4. Jose Narvaez (Argentina)
5. Gardenio Ulloa (Chile)
6. Felix Madrigal (Costa Rica)
7. Norberto Cabrera (Mexico)
8. Cesar Zevallos (Peru)
9. Freddy Hernandez (Colombia)
10. Danilo Batista (Brazil)

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Julio Soto Solano (Dom. Rep.)
1. Jose de la C. Lopez (Panama)
2. Miguel Lora (Colombia)
3. Modesto Gomez (Nicaragua)
4. Daniel Casan Solano (Costa Rica)
5. Elpidio de Perla Macumba (Dominican Rep.)
6. Adelaido Galindo (Mexico)
7. Felix Colman (Argentina)
8. Eusebio Espinal (Dominican Rep.)
9. Pedro Romero (Venezuela)
10. Carlos Alvarez (Venezuela)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Gabriel Sepulveda (Chile)
1. Sordito Nery (Dominican Rep.)
2. Bobby Rojas (Colombia)
3. Guillermo Acevedo (Chile)
4. Segundo Toledo (Peru)
5. Hector Rey Melendez (Dominican Rep.)
6. Jaime Miranda (Chile)
7. Virgilio Palomo (Colombia)
8. Pedro Flores (Mexico)
9. Jovito Rengifo (Venezuela)
10. Bernardo Moreno (Panama)

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Jose Badilla (Chile)
1. Leonardo Paredes (Panama)
2. Rafael Cabrera (Dominican Rep.)
3. Marcos Gomez (Nicaragua)
4. Agustin Garcia (Colombia)
5. Luis Beltran (Chile)
6. Santos Hoo (Panama)
7. Reinaldo Becerra (Venezuela)
8. Rene Valiente (Sal.)
9. Luis Gonzalez
10. Santos Becerra (Panama)

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Trevor Berbick (Canada)
1. Neville Meade (England)
2. David Pearce (Wales)
3. Gordon Racette (Canada)
4. Ken Lagusta (Canada)
5. Gordon Ferris (Ireland)
6. Billy Aird (England)
7. Eddie Neilson (England)
8. Stewart Lithgo (England)
9. Frank Bruno (England)
10. Maile Haumona (Tonga)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lotte Mwale (Zambia)
1. Tony Mundine (Australia)
2. Mustapha Wasajja (Uganda)
3. John Odehiamba (Uganda)
4. Chisanda Mutti (Zambia)
5. Tom Collins (England)
6. Alex Sua (New Zealand)
7. Don LaLonde (Canada)
8. Roddy McDonald (Canada)
9. Karl Canwell (England)
10. Dennis Andries (England)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Tony Sibson (England)
2. Murray Sutherland (Canada)
3. Roy Gumbs (England)
4. Ralph Hollett (Canada)
5. Steve Dennis (Australia)
6. Wayne Caplette (Canada)
7. Glen McEwan (England)
8. Mark Kaylor (England)
9. Mark Truck (Canada)
10. Billy Johnstone (Australia)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Herol Graham (England)
1. Ayub Kalule (Uganda)
2. Mike McCallum (Jamaica)
3. Kenny Bristol (Guyana)
4. Rocky Mattioli (Australia)
5. John Mugabi (Uganda)
6. Reggie Ford (Guyana)
7. Jimmy Batten (England)
8. Ken Salisbury (Australia)
9. Brian Anderson (England)
10. Hunter Clay (Nigeria)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Colin Jones (Wales)
1. Kirkland Laing (England)
2. Mark Harris (Guyana)
3. Mario Cusson (Canada)
4. Frank Ropis (Australia)
5. Sakarai Ve (Tonga)
6. Colin Power (England)
7. Josef Nsubuga (Uganda)
8. Lloyd Hibbert (England)
9. Brian Janssen (Australia)
10. Billy Waith (Wales)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Obisia Nwankpa (Nigeria)
1. Lennox Blackmoore (Guyana)
2. Clinton McKenzie (England)
3. Peter Berrigan (Australia)
4. Jeff Malcolm (Australia)
5. Sylvester Mittee (England)
6. Chris Sanigar (England)
7. Mike Parsons (Trinidad)
8. Des Morrison (England)
9. Nick Furlano (Canada)
10. Adey Allen (England)

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Champion
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2. Langton Tinago (Zimbabwe)
3. Davidson Andeh (Nigeria)
4. Charlie Nash (Ireland)
5. Ray Cattouse (England)
6. Gaetan Hart (Canada)
7. Hogan Jimoh (Nigeria)
8. John Summerhays (Canada)
9. Gary Williams (Australia)
10. George Feeney (England)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Azumah Nelson (Nigeria)
1. Pat Cowdell (England)
2. Patrick Ford (Guyana)
3. Eddie Ndukwu (Nigeria)
4. Charm Chiteule (Zambia)
5. Steve Sims (Wales)
6. Brian Roberts (Australia)
7. Barry McGuigan (No. Ireland)
8. Jimmy Flint (England)
9. Kabiru Akendele (Nigeria)
10. Mick Parkinson (Australia)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Paul Ferreri (Australia)
1. John Feeney (England)
2. Francis Musankabala (Zambia)
3. Mike Irungu (Kenya)
4. Davy Larmour (Ireland)
5. Stix Macloud (Zimbabwe)
6. Hugh Russell (Ireland)
7. Glenn Walsh (Australia)
8. Mark West (England)
9. Peter Jones (Wales)
10. Hector Clottey (Ghana)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Stephen Muchoki (Kenya)
1. Charlie Magri (England)
2. Wayne Mulholland (Australia)
3. Kelvin Smart (Wales)
4. Dave George (Wales)
5. Steve Bell (Australia)
6. Keith Wallace (England)
7. Ian Clyde (Canada)
8. Kid Sumalai (Ghana)
9. Junior Thompson (Australia)
10. Bobby Williams (Australia)

John Aba (Papua) is the junior lightweight champion. Contenders: Cornelius Boza-Edwards (England), Tiger Man (Papua), Billy Moeller (Australia), Safiu Okeibadan (Nigeria).

defeated George Bailey, Bradford, 121, in round three. The latter had been down three times.
(09-13-82)

▲ **BRIGHTON—Regency Sporting Club—**Danny Lawford, Manchester, 192, didn't loose a round outscoring Theo Josephs over eight by 80-76½. A good fight for the spectators, and a good result for Lawford, who came in as a substitute.

Noel Blair, Slough, 154, also didn't loose a round, outscoring Steve Henty, Brighton, 155, over six by 60-58. It was Henty's first bout since undergoing a nose operation.

Paul Mitchell, Leeds, 156, outpointed Robbie Turner, Brighton, 156, by 59½-58½ over six.

Third boxer on the bill not to lose a round was Michael Fawcett, West Ham, 186, who outscored Ian Lazarus, Leeds, 170, by 40-39 over four. Plenty of action.

Shaun Robinson, Leeds, 138, narrowly outscored Ronnie Shinkwin, 137½, by 39½-39 over four. Robinson's strong finish saw him through.
(09-13-82)

▲ **MANCHESTER—Anglo-American Sporting Club—**Willie Wright, Birmingham, 163, gained a narrow upset victory over Blain Longsden, Warrington, 158. Scoreline: 78½-78.

This ended Longsden's unbeaten run, with Wright calling on all his experience to overcome a talented opponent who slowed towards the close.

Peter Flanagan, Manchester, 142, kayoed Phil Sheridan, Birmingham, 146, in round two with a right to the jaw that put his opponent well and truly out.

Paul Murray, Birmingham, 158, didn't lose a round outpointing Paul Costigan, Manchester, 152, over six by 60-57½.

Paul Shell, Birmingham, 171, won every round outscoring Jerry Golden, Manchester, 170, over six by 60-57.
(09-13-82)

▲ **GLASGOW—Morley's Nitespot—**There have been many great fights in Glasgow, so when some onlookers avowed this one was the best ever seen in that fair city it was praise indeed. Alan Lamb, 140, won his eliminator for the British light-welter title by outpointing George Peacock, 139¼, over 10 by 99-97.

Both men gave absolutely everything they had—skill, courage, determination, and stamina. No one could have asked for more. Both had their moments, the pace was a hot one throughout, and the fans showed their appreciation of a cracking contest.

Lamb's left eye was cut in round five, but he kept going, then his right eye was cut in round nine. Yet, such was his dedication that he didn't allow either injury to upset his rhythm.

In spite of the scoreline, Peacock was always in the fight, and in with a chance, deserving of every bit of the applause, as, indeed, was Lamb. More fights like this and the halls would all be full again.

Gerry Devine, 137, drew with Dave Markey, 135½, over six, the same result as their previous meeting.

Archie Durie, Glasgow, 146, outpointed Ray Ross, Ardglass, 143, over six by 59-57½. Durie was down in the final round.

Phil O'Hare, 150, kayoed Jim Kelly, Wishaw, 149¼, in round five with a right cross.
(09-13-82)

▲ **SOUTHEND—20th Century Sporting Club—**Arthur Davis, Orpington, 152, outpointed Randy Henderson, wwpeckham, 147, by 79½-78½ over eight. An excellent contest, bags of action, and enthusiastic fans threw in £40 nobbins at the close.

Some thought the scoreline should have been closer, among them Henderson, who said he thought a draw was the least he deserved.

Nevertheless, a good performance by Davis, his fifth win in seven bouts, and showing improvement every time. He did well to overcome a practically shut left eye.

Martin Patrick, Islington, 152, beat Cliff Curtis, 157½, who retired at the end of round six with an eye injury. Nothing in it at that stage.

Mick Courtney, Finchley, 155, outscored Dennis Sheehan, Nottingham, 156, over eight by 79½-77½.
(09-14-82)

▲ **LIVERPOOL—Liver Sporting Club—**Kevin Pritchard, Kirkby, 134½, confirmed previous victories over Rocky Mensah, Bradford, 135, by knocking him out in round six. Pritchard did well to overcome cuts over and under the right eye.

Pritchard put his man down in round three, and the final punch in round six was a left hook to the jaw, with Mensha having no chance of beating the count.

Substitute Vince Varthy (only two hours' notice), Sheffield, 134, outscored Mick Dono, Liverpool, 138, over six by 59½-58.

Dalton Jordan, Leicester, 151, outpointed debutant Frend Warrilow, Kirkby, 154, over six by 59-58. Warrilow did his best to force it throughout, but was outjabbed. Nevertheless, a promising start.

Another debutant, Mark Drew, Liverpool, 133, narrowly outpointed Carl Gaynor, Manchester, 128, by 39½-39 over six. Gaynor was down in the opening round, and the difference in weight told as the fight progressed.
(09-17-82)

▲ **LONDON—Anglo American Sporting Club—**British bantamweight champion John Feeney, 120¾, outpointed Kid Sumalia, Ghana, 120¾, over eight by a narrow 79-78½.

An excellent contest, close throughout, and just as Sumalia seemed to be getting behind, he would rally in fine style, always willing to come forward and fight.

Feeney's cleaner punching and better ringcraft saw him through, and he was the busier of the two in a real crowd pleaser.

Rory Burke, Ipswich, 131, beat David Miles, Merthyr Tydfil, 128¼, who retired at the end of round five after being decked twice and bleeding from the nose.

Alan Tombs, Hastings, 132½, confirmed a previous win by outscoring Steve Henderson, Aylesbury, 129, over eight by 79-78.

Johnny Grant, Enfield, 138½, didn't lose a round in outpointing Dave Springer, Hayes, 139, over six by 60-57½.
(09-20-82)

▲ **BRADFORD—Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club—**Substitute Danny Garrison, Wolverhampton, 142, drew with Tony Sinnott, Liverpool, 142½, over eight. Garrison was down in round two, but floored his man four times after that, and Sinnott was on the canvas as the bell ended the fight. The decision met with some booing.

John Farrell, Liverpool, 122, won every round in outscoring Ian Murray, Manchester, 122, by 80-76 over eight. Murray was down in round seven.

Paul Keers, 136, outpointed Winston Ho Shing, Sheffield, 134, by 59½-58½ over six. When they met previously, Winston won by a knockout.

Decked in round two, Peter Bennett, Sheffield, recovered well to outscore Phil Gibson by 59½-58½ over six.
(09-20-82)

▲ **GLASGOW—St. Andrews Sporting Club—**Steve (Sammy) Sims, Newport, 125¾, won the vacant British featherweight title by knocking out Terry McKeown, Glasgow, 126, in round 12.

The ending was dramatic. McKeown went through the ropes from a battery of punches, but got back into the ring. As he stood there, it seemed that his cornermen were advising him to take a longer count. He went to his knees, where he was counted out.

John Murphy, Glasgow, 132¾, kayoed Mike Bromby, Hull, 133¼, in the sixth and final round after putting him down twice.

Tyrell Wilson, Newport, 131½, beat Colin Harrison, Glasgow, 137½, who retired in round four with a cut by the left eye.

Debutant Danny Flynn, Edinburgh, 115, former Scottish amateur flyweight champ, defeated Chip O'Neill, Sunderland, 113½, the referee intervening in round two with O'Neill on the receiving end.
(09-20-82)

▲ **WOLVERHAMPTON—Civic Hall—**European featherweight champion Pat Cowdell, 128½, comfortably outpointed American Robert Mullins, 128, over 10 by 99½-96.

Cowdell was the superior boxer, whereas his opponent had problems almost from the start. Mullins had an early swelling by the left eye, changed to southpaw in round six, tossed a lot of punches but rarely within range, and fell farther and farther behind.

The American made a noble effort in the final round to pin his man down, with a certain amount of success, but Cowdell was far too fast and too clever to get involved in close-quarter exchanges.

Not many bouts these days are declared "no contest," but this one was an exception, with Cordwell Hylton, Walsall, 176, and Keith Bristol, Brixton, 177, both being ruled out in round five after a lot of clinching and untidy work.

Dino Wallace, Wolverhampton, 162, seemed a little unlucky to get only a draw against Vince Gajny, 159, over eight. Wallace seemed the cleaner puncher with a more varied repertoire.

Rocky Burton, Bedworth, 209, outpointed Frank Robinson, Wednesbury, 184, over six by 59½-58½. The latter was down in round five.

Gary Buckle, Wednesbury, 144, outscored Davey Cox, Northampton, 148, over six by 59½-58½.

Neville Wilson, Wolverhampton, 146, beat Danny Myers, Northampton, 148, the bout being stopped in round three when Myers was cut by the left eye.
(09-20-82)

▲ **LIVERPOOL—**Keith Wallace, 116, leading contender for the British flyweight title, beat Jimmy Bott, Widnes, 119¼, the bout being stopped in round six after Bott had been down six times.

Wallace wasn't bothered about opposing a bantamweight, and, although Bott kept getting up after the knockdowns and was as plucky as they come, there was only one boxer in it.

Wallace's stablemate, Jimmy Duncan, 128, also won inside schedule, beating Jerry Beard, Nottingham, 126½, the referee intervening, also in round six, after Beard had been down and was injured by both eyes.

Wallace and Duncan are former St. Helens amateurs who are now living in London and being managed by Frank Warren.

Tony Brown, Bootle, 140, outscored Ian Chantler, St. Helens, 144, over 79½-77 over eight. Both are southpaws, and both were previously unbeaten. The busier boxer won.

Earlier this year, Jimmy Bunclarke, Bootle, 135, announced his retirement from the ring. But the lure proved too great, and he returned to outpoint Gary Lucas, Liverpool, 138, over six by 60-58, not loosing a round. Lucas was decked in round four.

In a four-rounder Dave Bryan, Rhyl, 128¼, outscored Mark Drew, Liverpool, 130, by 39½-38½.
(09-23-82)

▲ **LONDON—Merton Civic Hall, Winbledon—**Trevor Cattouse, Balham, 176½, outpointed Chris Lawson, Cardigan, 179, over eight by 78½-77½. Lawson was cut by the right eye in round one, and Cattouse cut by the left eye in round seven. A grueling contest, and an anxious momento for Cattouse in round six, when he had the caps of two of his teeth knocked off, one of them going down his throat.

A good performance by Cattouse, who had been inactive for

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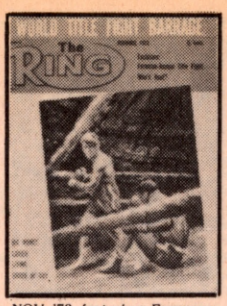

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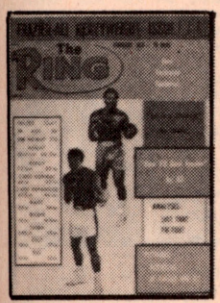

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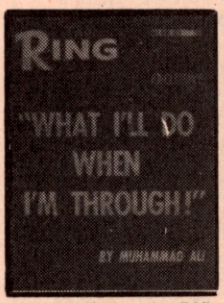

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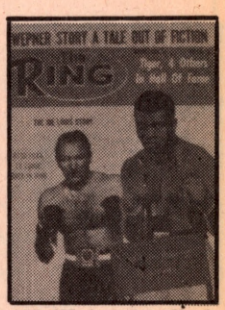

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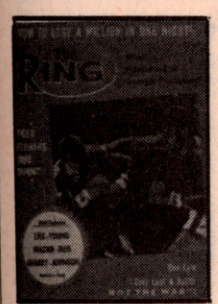

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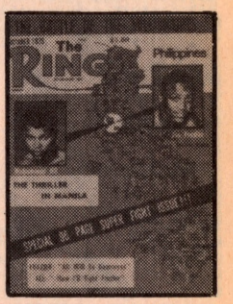

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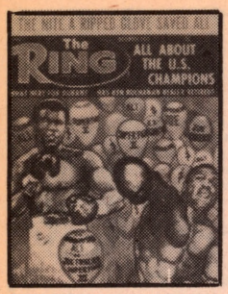

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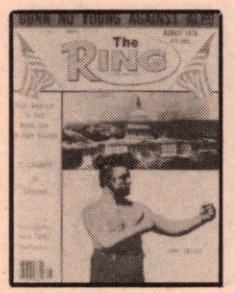

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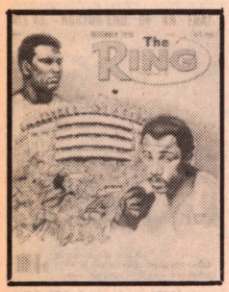

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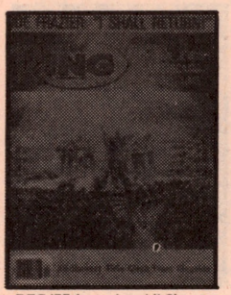

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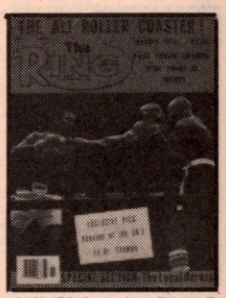

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nearly six months.

Another returning from a few months' inactivity was Pat Doherty, Croydon, 130¼, who outscored Steve Pollard, Hull, 132, over eight by 78½-77½.

Alan Ash, Carshalton, 172, outpointed Eddie Vierling, 180, over six by 59-58. A good fight; Ash did well in only his second contest.

Colin Neagle, Merthyr Tydfil, 146, drew with Marck Crouch, Epsom, 147¾, over six, another fine contest which brought forth one or two coins, thrown into the ring by appreciative spectators.

Lee White, Carshalton, 182, outpointed Joey Williams, Poplar, 179, by a narrow 59½-59 over six. White had a swelling by the left eye in round two, and deserved his victory over a plucky opponent who contested every issue.

Paul Welch, Carshalton, 159, put his man on the canvas in the opening round, but had to settle for a points win over Noel Blair, Tottenham, 156, scoreline 59½-58½ over six.
(09-23-82)

▲ Mark Kaylor, West Ham, 160, outclassed Belgian champion Maurice Bufi, 159¼, the referee stopping it in round three after Bufi had been down twice and gone to the canvas yet again at the intervention.

Kaylor thus kept his unbeaten record, and it was his devastating body punching that did it. Bufi had no answer, and it was just a matter of when it would end.

Kostas Petrou, Birmingham, 143, outscored Gunther Roomes, Eltham, 142½, by a narrow 59-58½ over six in an exciting scrap that the fans loved. It was Roomes' first defeat, but he was cut by the left eye and put up a terrific fight.

Lloyd Honeyghan, Bermondsey, 149, beat Ian Murray, Birmingham, 149, the bout being stopped in round three with Murray taking punishment after his left eye was completely shut.

Tony Willis, former Olympic Bronze Medalist, 136½, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Peter Eubanks, Brighton, 139¾, over eight by 79½-78. Southpaw Willis jabbed his way to victory, but Eubanks fully extended his opponent although, at the close, he could see out of only one eye.
(09-22-82)

▲ **STOKE—European Sporting Club—**Mick Rowley, born in Australia, but now based in Merthyr, 138, comfortably outscored Dave Taylor, 142, over eight by 79½-77. An all-action contest, with Taylor attacking throughout and Rowley countering to good effect. The latter took a lot of his opponent's punches on the gloves, and was the cleaner puncher.

Rick Warrilow, Liverpool, 155, beat Rocky Severino, Stoke, 152½, the referee intervening in the sixth and final round with Severino under pressure from rights to the head.

Phil O'Hare, Manchester, 152½, outpointed Dave Harrison, Stoke, 150, over six. In their two previous meetings, Harrison won one and other was drawn.

Billy Hough, Merthyr, 120, defeated Dave Khan, Stoke, the referee intervening in round two after Khan had been down.
(09-22-82)

▲ **LONDON—Bloomsbury Crest Hotel—**Noel Quarless, Liverpool, 207, kayoed Stan McDermott in round three, the sixth time he had been down.

Gary Knight, West Ham, 141, narrowly outpointed substitute Gary Pearce, Newport, 148, over eight by 79-78½. Fortunes fluctuated. In round five, Pearce put on the pressure, and had his opponent backing up. In the following round, it was Pearce's turn to back up, as Knight got through his defenses.

It was punch-for-punch in the last two rounds, with Knight just edging in front, but half a stone is a lot to concede.

British middleweight champion Roy Gumbs, 162½, was in and out of the ring in just 1:55 of round one after stopping American susbtitute Nat King, 163, the referee intervening after King had been down and was in no condition to carry on.

There would appear to be a ready-made match between Gumbs and Tony Sibson, who is European champion. The vacant Commonwealth crown, which Sibson gave up, could also be at stake. The only snag is that Sibson is concentrating on a world title shot.

Lee Halford, Leicester, 133, outscored Alan Tombs, Guildford, 129½, by a narrow 59-58½.

Martin G. Patrick, Tottenham, 151½, didn't lose a round outpointing Peter Stockdale, Grimsby, 152½, over six by 60-58. Patrick kept his unbeaten record, but both had eye injuries from head clashes.

Steve Johnson, 160, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing George Danahar, 164, over six by 59½-58½. Both bled from the nose, and Danahar's rally came too late.
(09-27-82)

▲ **LONDON—York Hall—**Glen McEwan, 160, won an official eliminator for British middleweight title by beating Southern Area champion Dave Armstrong, Hackney, 159½, who retired at the end of round three with a cut by the left eye.

By that time, Armstrong had been down in round two from a battery of punches and was under extreme pressure as the bell ended the session.

Armstrong had opened strongly, and for three minutes looked impressive, but McEwan was only biding his time, and, as soon as he started punching, Dave had to desperately defend.

For sheer excitement, the bout between Ivor Jones, Holloway, 120, and John Dorey, Eltham, 118½, was just what the fans would have ordered. Jones won on a narrow 78½-78 over eight, and even referee Mike Jacobs was prompted to state that it had been one of the best small-hall fights of the year.

It was blow-for-blow throughout. Jones was cut by the left eye and on the nose, yet shrugged off these injuries, and just got home by means of intense pressure in the last two rounds, when Dorey tired.

Nobbins came into the ring, and there was a standing ovation for the two contestants. They had well earned it.

Colin Derrick, Bethnal Green, 148½, kayoed Sylvester Gordon, Peckham, 146½, in round three, the latter going clean out of the ring, and failing to get back in time.

He had previously been decked three times.

Tony Connolly, Stepney, 127¾, outscored Ray Plant, 128, over six by 59½-58. Plant was down twice, but fought back well.

Tony Jenkins, Brentford, 163, was down in round four but rallied to draw with Keith James, Norwich, 165, over six.

Mo Hussein, West Ham, 136¾, beat Robert Welburn, Hull,137, the referee intervening halfway through the opening round with Welburn under pressure.

Debutant Paul Cooke, Bethnal Green, 135½, stopped Dave Springer, Harlesden, 140, in round two, again on the referee's intervention. Cooke had been down briefly.
(09-28-82)

▲ **MIDDLESBROUGH—Marton Country Club—**In an eliminator for the British light middleweight title, Prince Rodney, Huddersfield, the Central Area champion, 152, beat Graeme Ahmed, 153½, who was retired at the end of round three with an injured left eye.

There was an accidental collision of heads in the first round, and Ahmed's eye began to close. In round two, the eye was cut (three stitches required), and, realizing that a stoppage was near, Ahmed took the fight to his opponent and had him under pressure throughout the third.

Unfortunately for Ahmed, the cut was too bad for him to continue.

Graeme's brother, Barry Ahmed, 164, was also defeated, being outscored by Mick Morris, Wolverhampton, 167½, scoreline 79½-78 over eight. Ahmed was down twice in the final round.

Keith Foreman, Hartlepool, 132¾, scored a six-round points victory over Ian Murray, 130¾, Manchester, scoreline 59½-58.

Debutant Dave Garside, Hartlepool, 211¼, didn't lose a round outpointing Eddie Cooper, Nigeria, 185¼, over six by 60-58½.

Dale Henderson, Middlesbrough, 160, defeated Colin Nelson, 165½, the bout being stopped in round four after the latter had been down.
(09-26-82)

▲ **BIRMINGHAM—Arden Sporting Club—**Steve Topliss, Melbourne, 126, outscored John Sharkey, Glasgow, 126½, over eight by 79-78. Sharkey did a lot of attacking, but the more accurate punching came from Topliss.

Dean Marston, Leeds, outpointed Jarvis Greenidge, Birmingham, 129, over six by a narrow 58½-58. Greenidge was down twice.

Paul Mitchell. Leeds, 157, also won narrowly, outscoring Dennis Sheehan, 157, by 59-58½ over six.

Winston Davis, Rugby, 164, scored a six-round points win over Martin McEwan, Birmingham, 163½. Scoreline: 59½-58½.
(09-27-82)

EUROPEAN RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lucien Rodriguez (France)
1. Domenico Adinolfi (Italy)
2. Sylvain Watbled (France)
3. Felipe Rodriguez (Spain)
4. Alfredo Evangelista (Spain)
5. Neville Meade (Great Britain)
6. Billy Aird (Great Britain)
7. Al Syben (Belgium)
8. David Pearce (Great Britain)
9. Giudo Trane (Italy)
10. Giovanni De Luca (Italy)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Rudi Koopmans (Netherlands)
1. Alex Blanchard (Netherlands)
2. Hocine Tafer (France)
3. Richard Caramanolis (France)
4. Tom Collins (Great Britain)
5. Manfred Jassmann (Germany)
6. Nicola Cirelli (Italy)
7. Gennaro Mauriello (Italy)
8. Fred Serres (Belgium)
9. Dennis Andries (Great Britain)
10. Karl Canwell (Great Britain)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Tony Sibson (Great Britain)
1. Roy Gumbs (Great Britain)
2. Gaetano Ardito (Italy)
3. Matteo Salvemini (Italy)
4. Louis Acaries (France)
5. Frank Winterstein (France)
6. Jacques Chinon (France)
7. Pierre Joly (France)
8. Stephane Ferrara (France)
9. Frank Wissenbach (Germany)
10. Rufino Angulo (France)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Luigi Minchillo (Italy)
1. Herol Graham (Great Britain)
2. Marijan Benes (Yugoslavia)
3. Jose Hernandez (Spain)
4. Chris Christian (Great Britain)
5. Torben Anderson (Denmark)
6. Vincenzo Ungaro (Italy)
7. Darwin Brewster (Great Britain)
8. Jean Andre Emmerich (Germany)
9. Richard Rodriguez (France)
10. Jimmy Batten (Great Britain)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Hans Henrik Palm (Denmark)
1. Colin Jones (Great Britain)
2. Jorge Hansen (Denmark)
3. Kirkland Laing (Great Britain)
4. Gianfranco Rosi (Italy)
5. Claude Lancastre (France)
6. Jo Kimpuani (France)
7. Jose Ramon Gomez Fouz (Spain)
8. Giuseppe Di Padova (Italy)
9. Everaldo Costa (Italy)
10. Giles Elbilia (France)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Clinton McKenzie (Great Britain)
1. Patrizio Oliva (Italy)
2. Antonio Guinaldo (Spain)
3. Francesco Leon (Spain)
4. Sylvester Mittee (Great Britain)
5. Giuseppe Martinese (Italy)
6. Chris Sanigar (Great Britain)
7. Des Morrison (Great Britain)
8. Roberto Gambini (France)
9. Ace Ruseski (Yugoslavia)
10. Nino Jimenez (Spain)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Giuseppe Gibilisco (Italy)
1. Ray Cattouse (Great Britain)
2. Charlie Nash (Great Britain)
3. Jose Garcia (Spain)
4. Lucio Cusma (Spain)
5. Rene Weller (Germany)
6. Jose Luis Heredia (Spain)
7. George Feeney (Great Britain)
8. Lance Williams (Great Britain)
9. Michel Siracusa (France)
10. Ricky Beaumont (Great Britain)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (Great Britain)
2. Roberto Castanon (Spain)
3. Daniel Londas (France)
4. Carlos Hernandez (Spain)
5. Carlos Rodriguez (Spain)
6. Alfredo Raininger (Italy)
7. Luigi De Rosa (Italy)
8. Lorenzo Paciulleu (Italy)
9. Francis Bailleu (France)
10. Hugo Carrizo (Spain)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Pat Cowdell (Great Britain)
1. Loris Stecca (Italy)
2. Jose Luis Vicho (Spain)
3. Salvatore Melluzzo (Italy)
4. Sammy Sims (Great Britain)
5. Barry McGuigan (Great Britain)
6. Phillipe Martin (France)
7. Jimmy Flint (Great Britain)
8. Cecilio Lastra (Spain)
9. Pasquale Mazza (Italy)
10. Sepp Iten (Switzerland)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Giuseppe Fossati (Italy)
1. Valerio Nati (Italy)
2. John Feeney (Great Britain)
3. Esteban Eguia (Spain)
4. Davy Larmour (Great Britain)
5. Roberto Serreli (Italy)
6. Hugh Russell (Great Britain)
7. Walter Giogetti (Italy)
8. Luis de la Sagra (Spain)
9. Manuel Barquim (Spain)
10. Juan Francesco Rodriguez (Spain)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Charlie Magri (Great Britain)
1. Enrique Rodriguez Cal (Spain)
2. Franco Cherchi (Italy)
3. Paolo Castrovilli (Italy)
4. Kelvin Smart (Great Britain)
5. Antonio Montero (France)
6. Dave George (Great Britain)
7. Keith Wallace (Great Britain)
8. Ciro De Leva (Italy)
9. Giovanni Camputaro (Italy)
10. Marvo Bittetto (Italy)

AFRICA

SOUTH AFRICA

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

▲ **EAST LONDON—Sisa Dukashe Stadium—**Despite a close official scoreline, Argentine junior welter Hugo Luero looked to be a convincing points winner over Happy Boy Mgxaji in the 10-round main event.

Luero shook Mgxaji to his boots just before the bell ended the first round, and the South African boxed with extreme caution thereafter. Luero again caused Mgxaji to buckle at the knees in the eighth session, and was still pressing the fight at the final bell.

Nyingi Mtya retained his Cape junior lightweight crown by holding Rodney Botha to a draw, 10 rounds. Mtya was never really in the fight, and seemed lucky to get the draw.
(08-28-82)

NATAL

▲ **PIETERMARITZBURG—City Hall—**Natal welter champion Gregory Clark made his debut in the junior middle class by hammering Leo Simelane into defeat in four rounds.

Simelane was badly punished, and seemed to be on the verge of going down several times. Only Clark's lack of punching power saved Simelane from a knockout.

THAI RATINGS
BY THE THAI BOXING COMMISSION
(AS OF OCTOBER 10, 1982)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Satanfa S. Pratip
1. Tongta Kiatvayupak
2. Saensak Muangsurin
3. Burirum Suenmisakavan
4. Mana Premchai
5. Jong Sathiragym
6. Kunphol Sakornphitak

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Kongrag Vocharernrat
1. Kanakorn Thaphoothai
2. Petchsayarm Petcharern
3. Thom Singthanongsakdi

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Downthong Chuvatana
1. Jenrub Muangsurin
2. Somdej Sakdiphipus
3. Suradej Klongphajorn
4. Keovanoi Kiatsingnoi
5. Nanthabureng Leadbankye
6. Chokchai Kiatsingnoi
7. Chainarong Chuttinavy
8. Sakad Pornthavee
9. Rakthae Muangsurin
10. Rakchart Kiatvayuphak

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Phadedsuk Pisnurachun
1. Dorn Sornsakdisith
2. Ngoohuoleg Lukakadyotin
3. Usopnoi Lukakadyotin
4. Sansakdi Sithlukmuang
5. Kongkiat Dompasspot
6. Vechayun Senaphitak
7. Prichar Nabanmee
8. Sangsakda Kitikasem
9. Monkorndum Muangsurin
10. No Listing

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Nugprachan Kiatkumchai
1. Santhi Donjadee
2. Suban Muangsurin
3. Dedkad Kiatbunyong
4. Sungud Saksuree
5. Kolnyuth Pornpanthumnu
6. Sangthong Chanjeelar
7. Manus Lo-ngerng
8. Pharjan Sithsathaporn
9. Thumngerng Kiatbunthit
10. Nongthom Singthanongsak

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Dejvarin Hollywood
1. Sakda Saksuree
2. Morkasakdi Muangsurin
3. Thaveekoon Chorsuenanan
4. Dejumnuen Singthanongsakdi
5. Pornpanoi Rangnokthai
6. Arcadej Singjomthong
7. Thournthanong Sorphajorn
8. Somkuen Pisnurachun
9. Dungprasert Porsombutr
10. Samart Pharyakaroon

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Sakdisamai Chorsiritat
1. Phichitsuk Kor-u-sayarm
2. Kom Chartsurat
3. Mongkol Kiatjongrat
4. Surija Pratumvadee
5. Somdej Phumchai
6. Yuthchai Charlermchaigym
7. Khangthongnoi Kiatsingnoi
8. Prasong Sithkempetch
9. Lamthong Sorphayathai
10. No Listing

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Brabtorani Luklumpakchee
1. Phaktai Osodsapha
2. Pharyoa Phooltharat
3. Nasai Charlemchaigym
4. Suvan Silpaya
5. Muns Petchyindee
6. Gun Keowprasert
7. Ali Baba Luklongtan
8. Sombutr Chusvatana
9. Thani Singchurvang
10. No Listing

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Dan Pisalchai
1. Petchnagam Chuvatana
2. Charloa Muangsurin
3. Downrojana Rojanaseree
4. Thongberm Lukmaturee
5. Chutmongkol Thairungriang
6. Leg Fairtax
7. Veerachi Vongprasert
8. Sornoi Jokkygym
9. Sankumpang Bunthavee
10. Saitrang Tianthiran

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Wonchai Singchatvan
1. Samart Sakadam
2. Jownaranoi Jomkatha
3. Srithancha Sithsanae
4. Luk-odd Phitiporn
5. Pharmeechai Sithpornpan
6. Ratanachai Punvit
7. Suriya Pratumvadee
8. Sakolnakorn Kiatmuangtrang
9. Loo Sorthanikul
10. Petch Sukothai

Thai boxers rated by world boxing organizations: Vichit Muangroi-et (#3 WBA junior featherweight), Pongpan Sawphayathai (#7 WBC super bantamweight), Kaosai Galassy (#10 WBC super flyweight).

Sugarboy Malinga became the new Natal middleweight champ by knocking out Shadrack Sithole with a short right to the jaw in the second round.
(09-13-82)

TRANSVAAL

▲ **JOHANNESBURG—Wembley Sports Pavilion**—Mike Koranicki, Philadelphia, Pa., knocked out Ricky James, Great Britain, in 2:40 of the second with a left hook to the jaw.
(08-30-82)

▲ **SPRINGS—Kwa Thema Civic Centre**—Gaybon Yekiso retained his South African junior featherweight title by outpointing Enoch Mazibuko, 12. Mazibuko took a solid beating, and had one eye completely closed at the finish.

Jacob Molefe retained his Transvaal bantamweight title by outpointing Paulus Tshela, 10.

Aladin Stevens, the South African lightweight champ, stopped game Johannes Hoshella in the eigth round of a non-title affair.
(09-03-82)

▲ **SEBOKENG—Maphlalatsane Hall**—Arthur Mayisela won the Transvaal junior welter crown with an upset decision over Ernest Moledi, 10.

Peter Mgojo halted Piet Bothma in the fifth round of their Transvaal welterweight title bout. Bothma's ear was badly cut.
(09-04-82)

BERT BLEWETT

ORIENT

JAPAN

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Twenty-year-old Fujio Ozaki, 134½, scored with fast one-twos and won a unanimous decision over Joken Narita, also 134½, to become the new national lightweight titlist, 10.

Scoring: referee Ken Morita 98-94; judges Masakazu Uchida and Takeshi Shimakawa, 97-95 and 97-96, respectively—all for Ozaki.

There were no knockdowns, but Ozaki kept taking the initiative and scored an upset victory.

Ozaki, a former amateur high school boxer, improved to 9-1 with five knockouts. Narita, 27, fell to 15-14-1 with only one kayo.

In the semi-final 10, rough swinging Hideyuki Shikano (previously fighting as Kaishu Shin) and Masahiro Takagi, both 128 pounds, fought to a technical draw at 2:10 of the fifth round.

The first 10 witnessed a beautiful kayo, as Joe Tatsuki, 128, collapsed Masaharu Owada, a taller puncher at 130, with a single left hand in 1:09 of the fifth session. Owada was far ahead before the knockout.

Kenji Ono, 106¾, was held to a majority draw by Asayoshi Tomei, 107¾, six.

Four rounders: Noboru Hayashi, 121, floored Makito Gamoo, 122, twice and stopped him at 2:07 of the opening session. Hitoshi Ogino, 106¾, outscored Makoto Kano, 108. Shingo Ishikura, 107¼, kayoed Yoshinobu Fukui, 107¾, in 1:56 of the third round. Masato Tanaka, 107½, TKO'd Katsuhiro Kuroda, 107, at 1:04 of the third round in the opener.

Yonekura Promotions. Nippon TV.

Attendance—2,000.
(08-06-82)

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—After a long lay-off, unbeaten Taijiro Niiyama, 139¼, made short work of Ryo Asuka, 140, scoring a one-punch kayo 49 seconds into the first round of a scheduled eight. Niiyama, 20, is 7-0 with four kayoes.

In the semi, soft punching Takeshi Mitsuru, 122, tossed more blows than Zenichi Hasegawa, 121¼, but ran out of gas in the last two rounds and lost a unanimous decision (double 79-77 and 78-75), eight.

Mutsuo Watanabe, 116½, eked out a majority nod over Katsuhiko Hasegawa, 117, six.

Four-rounders: Kazuhisa Kinoshita, 117¾, won a hairline decision over Kazuaki Hamai, 117¼. Hideaki Sato, 117¼, stopped Masaaki Inaba, also 117¼, at 2:41 of the second round. Shinichi Honda, 121, halted lefty Kenichi Imanishi, 122¼, at 1:26 of the third round in the opener.

Yoichi Nago's King Promotions. No telecast.

Attendance—1,000.
(08-02-82)

▲ **TOKYO—Katsushika Ward Open Ring**—The JBC's fifth ranked junior lightie, Toshiaki Nakamoto, 130, was unable to continue because of his bad bleeding, and was held to a technical draw by Koji Sengoku, 128½, at 0:41 into the fourth round of a 10.

Four rounders: Tiger Dojo, 128½ pounds, needed only 46 seconds to stop Ryuichi Karagane, 127½. Hiroaki Imazu, 115¾, decisioned Seiji Ogawa, 117¼. Shotgun Suzuki, 116¾, outscored Toru Yokoi, 118. Kusuichi Nakano, 111¾, stopped Masanobu Suzuki, 111¼, at 0:59 of the second round. Yoshito Sueki, 107¼, decisioned Kazumi Hamakawa, also 107¼, in the opener.

Royal Kawakami Promotions. No telecast.

Attendance—1,000.
(08-14-82)

▲ **KOCHI—Kochi Prefectural Gymnasium**—Japanese welterweight champ Junya Kushikino, 145½, seemed to lack his usual zip, but managed to stop Goigo (Sadao) Saito, also 145½, at 2:29 of the eighth round in a scheduled 10. Kushikino kept his crown and upped his log to 19-13 with 14 knockouts. Saito fell to 6-4-2 including five kayoes. Ryoji Kashiwagi, referee.

Unbeaten Takuya Muguruma, 126¾, withstood the opening attacks of Sumihiro Suda, 127, and knocked him out with a strong right in 1:03 in the first round, in a scheduled eight.

Four-rounders:Fumio Ozaki, 120½, TKO'd Toshiyuki Miyamoto, 119¾, at 1:56 of the third round. Shigemoto Soda, 106¼, outpointed Toshikatsu Koma, 106¼. Hiranobu Watakuchi, 107½, finished Akio Asaura, 106¾, at 1:20 of the second session in the opener.

WBA world junior bantamweight champion Jiro Watanabe returned from his vacation in Guam following his impressive TKO win over Gustavo Ballas on July 29, and engaged in a two-round exhibition with Katsuo Katsuma.

Kuroshio Gym. in assoc. with Osaka Teiken Club.

No telecast.

Attendance—1,200.
(08-24-82)

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Having moved down into the junior flyweight class, Koki Ishii, 110¾, made his second showing and had a very tough time. He earned a unanimous decision from Lord Mitsuru, ex-winner of Novice King tourney at 110½, 10. But Ishii lost the last two rounds owing to Lord's furious attacks. Ishii is now 11-1 with six kayoes. Lord, 24 and four years his junior, dropped to 10-3 with six kayoes and a no contest.

Scoring: referee Takeshi Shimakawa and Shoji Nakamori, both 98-95, another judge Hiroyuki Tezaki, 98-96.

The semi-final saw a beautiful left hook, thrown by Yoshimu Oyama, 120, which flatten Mitsuo Imazato, 118½, 0:34 into the ninth round. Imazato, a pupil of ex-world champ Fighting Harada, looked to be leading on points.

Oyama, 19, the winner of the All-Japan Novice King tourney this year, upped his log to 7-0-1 with four kayoes. Imazato is 11-6 including four knockouts.

Four-rounders: Lefty Shigemichi Wakatsuki, 126, decisioned Daisuke Sakai, 125. Southpaw Toshitaka Suzuki, 129¾, TKO'd Minoru Furuse, 127½, at 1:27 of the third round. Teruyuki Shimada, 118, stopped Hiroaki Morimoto, 117½, at 2:14 of the third round in the opener.

Hisanao Masudo's SB Nitto Promotions. TV Asahi.

Attendance—1,800.
(08-24-82)

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Japanese middleweight champ Kenji Shibata is a painter outside the ring. Despite being scheduled to defend his crown, he dropped from a ladder and suffered a fracture of his right foot. Shibata relinquished his crown under the condition that he would challenge the new champ after his recovery.

The eliminator was fought by Kenji Miyata, 159½, and Keitoku Senrima, 159¼, with the former winning a close but unanimous decision, 10. Scoring: referee Yusaku Yoshida, 98-97; judges Ken Morita and Masakazu Uchida, 97-96 and 99-97 respectively—all for the new titlist, Miyata.

In the semi-final 10, Hammer Itoi, 140, battered Masaji Fujiwara, 139, onesidedly and stopped him at 2:51 of the seventh round.

Four-rounders: Koji Nishikawa, 111¼, outpointed Shingo Hayakawa, 111¾. Sumiki Tokutome, 115, won from Soichi Ono, 115. Yoshiharu Yokokoji, 114½, outscored Kazunori Takahashi, 114½. Ryuji Tanimura, 111¾, decisioned Hajime Sato, 112. Kenji Nemoto, 111¾, outpointed Keiji Sato, 111¼. Nobuyuki Sudo, 113¾, TKO'd Chogi Moriyama, 112¼, at 2:27 of the third round in the opener.

Kokusai Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—1,600.
(08-26-82)

▲ **KYOTO—Fushimi Gymnasium**—Local favorite Shoji Okishima, 141, won a unanimous decision (79-74, 79-75, and 78-74) over Koji Sasakawa, 140, eight. Okishima is now 7-2-1 with two kayoes. Sasagawa is 7-9-1 (three KOs).

Susumu Sakima, 117½, won a shutout nod from Seiichi Hijiri, 117½, six. Hiroshi Nishihara, 149½, was stopped by Asahiro Nagao, 148½, at 2:09 of the first round in their scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Takashi Tsukada, 139½, got off the canvas and stopped Yoshitaka Akagi, 139, at 2:45 of the second round. Kosei Yamashita, 123½, TKO'd Hitoshi Twamoto, 123¾, at 2:39 of the third round. Katsunori Nagamoto, 122, outscored Takashi Okamoto, 127. Iwao Nishikawa, 134½, won a split decision over Takeyoshi Tanaka, 134, in the opener.

Tsukahara Promotions. No telecast.

Attendance—1,400.
(08-26-82)

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Rough swinger Ikuyoshi Kuwabara, the WBA's seventh ranked junior featherweight at 124½, was held to a split draw by Satoshi Okuma, 125, in 10 hot frames. They put on a give-and-take battle without knockdowns.

Scoring: referee Masakazu Uchida, 98-96, Okuma; judge Yusaku Yoshida, 97-96, Kuwabara; judge Ken Morita, 96-96.

Kuwabara, 21, is now 9-4-1 with six kayoes. Okuma, 22, is 11-5-2 with six knockouts.

17-year-old Korean newcomer Jae-Yong Park, 142, dropped Katsuyoshi Kitsumoto, the JBC's top welterweight contender at

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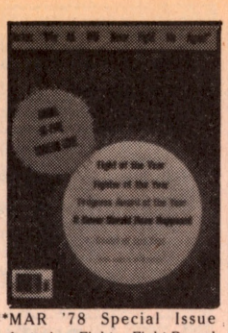

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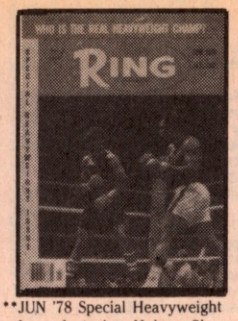

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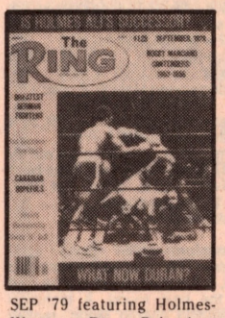

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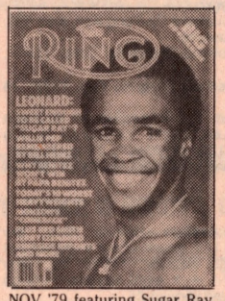

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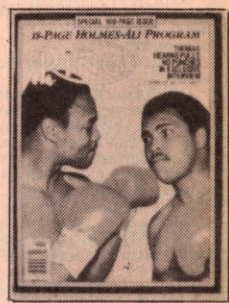

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146, twice and stopped him at 2:06 of the fourth round in the semi-final 10.

Kitsumoto proved no match for Park's busy combinations, and fell to 6-4-1 with three kayoes. Park is 5-1-1, including three knockouts.

The first 10 saw Mexican Agustin Toral, 151¼, show his power in demolishing lefty Naoto Suzuki, 155¼, at 2:21 of the sixth round. Toral, traded by Kyoei Promotions of Tokyo, displayed his wicked right shots and floored the Japanese lefty twice before referee Ken Morita's stoppage. Toral, 23, is 21-2 with 21 kayoes. Suzuki fell to 6-3 with six knockouts.

Four-rounders: Hiroyuki Tabata, 129¼, TKO'd Satoshi Morimoto, 130, at 1:04 of the second round. Jitsuo Iwasaki, 126, eked out a decision from Norimitsu Hajime, 123½. Lefty Mamoru Nagoshi, 125¾, stopped Yozo Shigesawa, 126, at 1:54 of the second session. Kenji Ishibashi, 121½, outpointed Hiroshi Mizuno, 122. Hideki Ishida, 132½, halted Takenori Kojima, 133½, at 0:37 of the fourth round in the opener.

Tetsuwa Keihin Kawasaki Promotions. TBS TV.

Attendance—1,500.

(08-30-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI

KOREA

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—Unbeaten Jun-Suk Hwang, 146¾, displayed his vanted power and disposed of Indonesian challenger Wongso Suseno, 145½, at 1:09 of the third round of a scheduled 12.

It was Jun-Suk's second defense since he dethroned Chung-Jae Hwang via an upset knockout in Seoul. Jun-Suk, the WBA's fourth ranked contender, is now 18-0 with 10 knockouts. Suseno, former Orient titlist, fell to 38-8-2 with 19 kayoes.

The semi-final saw Chong-Ho Kim, 152, retain his Korean junior middleweight crown by stopping Bok-Kyu Lim, 153½, at 2:57 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. Kis is now 30-9-5 with 22 kayoes.

Chang-Young Park, 119, decisioned Jong-Wo Chun, 118¼, six.

Young-Suk Park, 107¾, stopped Hwa-Kyu Lee, 107, at 1:45 of the seventh round in an eight.

Ki-Ho Shin, 114¾, won from Chun-Soo Kan, 114¾, six.

Four-rounders: Bu-Kyong Yuh, 119, outscored Kwang-Suk Song, also 119. Chong-Soo Suh, 118¾, decisioned Hyun-Ei Shin, 117, in the opener.

Hyun-Chi Kim's Dong-A Promotions.

(08-01-82)

▲ **POHANG—Pohang Playgrond**—Korean featherweight champ Oh-Hyung Lee, 125, decisioned Ok-Yong Kim, also 125, 10. Lee is now 9-1-4 with eight kayoes.

Sang-Dae Lee, 124½, outpointed Chong-Yul Song, 124¼, eight.

Dong-Won Shin, 139, knocked out Sang-Hu Yuh, 138½, in 1:20 of the fifth round.

Four-rounders: Ki-Sung Ahan, 128¼, decisioned Kil-Hwan Yang, also 128¼. Yong-Kil Lee, 132¾, outscored Ho-Jun Chung, 132¾. Ki-Chul Bae, 120, drew with Sang-Ho Kim, 121¼. Il-Jin Kim, 115¾, polished off Kyung-Jo Chai, 115¾, in the opener.

Daesan Promotions.

(08-01-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—HiShop Shin, the WBA's fifth ranked flyweight at 111, pounded out a unanimous decision over Filipino Rodrigo Saonoy, 111½, 10. Shin improved his fine log to 21-1-1 with eight kayoes. Rodrigo impaired to 23-5-3 including seven knockouts.

The semi-final 10 saw In-Kil Kang, 124¼, stop Chul-Hwan Seul, 124½, at 1:04 of the fifth round. Kang is 12-5-2 with three kayoes.

Kyu-Un Choi, 136¼, demolished Han-Young Choi, 136, with three seconds remaining in the sixth and final round.

Four-rounders: Won-Kyu Lee, 141, outscored Tai-Joung Park, 142. Kum-Jung Yun, 108¾, decisioned Kun-Pil Chung, 109¼. Ki-Chang Kim, 113¼, drew with Jung-Wo Park, 113¾, in the opener.

Ho-Yun Chun's Kukdong Promotions.

(08-07-82)

▲ **PUSAN—Kudok Gymnasium**—Former WBC world junior welterweight champ Sang-Hyun Kim, 139¾, retained his OPBF crown by stopping Flash Romeo, a Filipino challenger at 139 ½, at 2:20 of the fifth round in a scheduled 12. The lefty Kim's straight left was the haymaker.

Kim is now 41-3-2 with 24 knockouts. It was Kim's third defense.

In the supporting ten, Tae-Hun Park, 142¼, disposed of Byung-Sun Yuh, 142¼, at 0:23 of the seventh session.

Joung-Won Park, 146½, drew with Hi-Young Lee, 146½, eight. Ki-Man Yuh, 109¾, outscored Chong-Wong Park, 109¼. Cha-Suk Oh, 121, decisioned Joo-Yul Park, 120¾, in the opener.

Hanjin Promotions.

(08-08-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—Fast rising Dong-Yung Kim, 122½, decisioned Filipino veteran Arnel Arrozal, also 122½, 10.

In the semi, Dong-Koo Woo, 130, amazed the crowd by stopping Chong-Pyo Kim, 129¾, in 1:09 of the first round in the KBC's eliminator to decide the new national junior lightweight champion. Woo is now 9-4-2 with five knockouts. Kim fell to 10-6-2 with one knockout.

Jae-Shik Lee, 112¼, outscored Kyung-Shik Park, 111¾, eight.

Yang-Lim Lee, 113¾, drew with Kyung-Hyun Ha, 114¾, six.

Nam-Suk Yun, 111¼, lost to Young-Hyun Han, 110¼, six.

Four-rounders: Kwang-Chul Chang, 127¾, won from Sung-Bok Lee, 126¾. Byong-Jin Kim, 116, outscored Yong-Hwa Kwon, 116¼, in the opener.

Ho-Yun Chun's Kukdong Promotions.

(08-14-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—Former world flyweight champion Chan-Hee Park, 117½, made a comeback and decisioned Japanese footworker Katsuyuki Ohashi, 117½, 10. Park, moving up to the junior bantamweight class, bettered his log to 16-3-2 with six kayoes. Ohashi fell to 11-9 with one kayo.

The semi-final saw a quick end, as Ik-No Ahn, 115½, ran his unblemished record to 9-0 (seven kayoes) by finishing Rito Donayre, 115, at 1:40 of the first round in a 10. Donayre is 13-4 with seven kayoes.

Chong-Hak Lee, 136½, drew with Dong-Un Shin, 135½, eight.

Kuk-Jin Yim, 140½, stopped Kwang-Kyung Chung, 140¾, at 1:19 of the second round.

Kwang-Bok Yun, 119, lost to Sung-Il Lee, 118¾, six.

Kun-Yung Nam, 138¾, won from Kyu-Hyung Choi, also 138¾, in the six round opener.

Soon-Jong Suh's Saeki Promotions.

(08-15-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—Rising Il Yang, 132¼, needed 114 seconds of the first round to polish off Filipino Fel Salvador, 131½, in a scheduled 10. Having beaten ex-world champ Rigoberto Riasco in Korea last year, Yang has seemingly keep his fists quite sharp. Yang is now 16-2-3 with six kayoes.

In the semi-final 10, welterweight hope Seung-Soon Lee, 145 ½, disposed of Yung-Sup Suh, 147, in 2:08 of the sixth round.

Do-Bok Cha, 117¼, stopped Soo-Duk Suh, 117¼, at 2:53 of the fourth round in a six.

Four-rounders: Kuk-Kap Kim, 125¾, outpointed Sang-Don Lee, 124¼. Yung-Jung Ji, 115¼, decisioned Ho-Suk Cho, 115½. Kum-Jung Yun, 108½, whipped Hak-Chul Lee, 110¼. Sung-Kyu Kim, 109¾, drew with Sung-Hun Song, also 109¾. Hak-Hyon Kim, 110, beat You-Shik Choi, also 110, in the opener.

Hoyun Chun's Kukdong Promotions.

(08-21-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—The OPBF junior flyweight champ Sung-Nam Kim is scheduled to meet WBA titlist Katsuo Tokashiki in Japan in October. Kim, 109¼, appeared in a tune-up go with Rikuo Watanabe, a stablemate of Tokashiki at 108¾, and demolished him with three knockdowns in 2:51 of the third round in a scheduled non-title 10.

Kim is now 20-3 with 12 knockouts. Watanabe fell to 8-2 with two kayoes.

In the semi, former Korean junior flyweight boss Soon-Yun Mah, 108¾, was held to a draw by clever Filipino champ Jun Resma, 109¾, 10. It was Mah's fourth draw against six wins and two defeats. Resma is 16-1-2 with nine kayoes.

Yu-Ok Joo, 116¼, stopped Kun-Nam Kim, 116½, at 2:08 of the sixth round in a scheduled eight.

Flyweight Yun-Ho Park, 111, decisioned Mal-Oh Ji, also 111, eight.

Kwan-Soo Han, 128¾, won from Myung-Sup Choi, 129, by a technical decision at the end of the sixth round.

Four-rounders: Chul-Hyun Kim, 149¼, was knocked out by Jang-Yung Chung, 149½, in 1:07 of the first round. Chul-Nam Koh, 119½, drew with Joung-Kwon, 120¼. Dong-Chul Park, 112½, outscored Un-Sup Yang, 113, in the opener.

Soon-Jong Suh's Saeki Promotions.

(08-22-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—OPBF junior lightweight champion Tae-Jin Moon, 129, dropped Kyung-Soo Hong, ex-national champ at 130, in the third round, but he bled too profusely to continue in the next round. A technical decision was rendered to defending champ Moon, ranked second by the WBA in the 130-pound class at 2:31 of the fourth round in a 12.

Scoring: referee Hwan-Soo Yuhm judges Jin-Kuk Kim and Dae-In Chung all agreed with a 40-38 score.

Moon improved his log to 21-1-1 (10 kayoes) with his sole loss to Rodolfo (Gato) Gonzalez in Los Angeles last year. Hong fell to 14-2 with five kayoes.

In the semi-final 10, Soon-Woo Chung, 134½, knocked out Sang-Jun Cha, 132¼, at 2:16 of the fourth round.

Four-rounders: Jong-Ha Jin, 129¾, decisioned Shin-Kwon Kang, 129½. Chong-Young Kwon, 131¾, outscored Jae-Hun Kim, 134. Jin-Sung Tae, 146½, drew with Won-Tae Lee, 146¾, in the opener.

Hoyun Chun's Kukdong Promotions.

(08-28-82)

▲ **SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium**—OPBF featherweight champ Hwan-Kil Yuh, the WBA's fourth ranked contender at 126, was befuddled by taller Filipino champ Divino Inocian's sly tactics, but managed to outpoint him in 12 dull rounds. The lefty Yuh is 19-1-2 with eight kayoes. Inocian impaired to 26-7-2 including 10 knockouts.

Scoring: referee Jae-Keun Kim, 120-117; judges Chin-Un Chung and Filipino Valandria, 120-116 and 117-117 respectively.

The semi-windup witnessed Tae-Sang Chun, 121¾, dispose of Ho-Man Kim, 121, at 1:03 of the sixth round in a 10. Chun is now 10-3-2 with two kayoes.

Min-Soo Lee, 131¼, drew with Myung-Sop Shin, 132¼, eight.

Sung-Ho Kim, 114½, lost to Chong-Hyuk Yim, also 114½, six.

Kyu-Chan Cho, 114¾, stopped Chung-Woo Lee, also 114¾, 42 seconds into the first round of a six.

Oh-Kyu Chang, 125¼, outpointed Chong-Sung Koh, 124¾, six.

Four-rounders: Ik-Won Kim, 110¾, decisioned Mi-Soo Kim, 110 ½. Jin-Duk Kim, 116½, won from Oh-Hum Kwak, 115¾, in the opener.

Wa-Ryong Yuh's Waryong Promotions.

(08-29-82)

▲ **WONGJU—Wongju Gymnasium**—Unbeaten Chul Kwon, 119 ¾, a very short infighter, caught Filipino Fel Maltag, 122, and stopped him in 3:09 of the third round in a scheduled 10.

Kwon, the KBC's second ranked 118-pounder, thus upped his log to 15-0 with 11 kayoes.

In the semi-final 10, Chan-Jung Chun, 124, halted Chong-Yul Song, 124¾, at 0:26 of the fifth canto. Chun is now 11-2-3 with five kayoes.

Kum-Sup Han, 112½, decisioned Jae-Sung Oum, 112½, eight.

Sung-Yul Moon, 135¾, drew with Jung-Bok Park, 136¼, in the six-round opener.

Sangwon Promotions.

(08-29-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI and YOO-CHANG KIM

PHILIPPINES

▲ **CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY**—Former Filipino bantamweight titlist Ronald Sumalis is now campaigning as a featherweight. Sumalis, 128, defeated Nacias Francisco, 129, by a unanimous decision, 10.

Dr. Antonio Almirante, promoter.

(07-03-82)

▲ **PARANAQUE—Elorde Sports Complex**—Boy Chua, 120, unanimously outscored Amado Cabato, also 120, 10.

Galorde Enterprises.

(07-03-82)

▲ **CEBU CITY—Cebu Coliseum**—Former junior lightweight champ Nene Jun, 134, lost to Jong Jong Pacquing, 132½, on an upset TKO in a scheduled 10. (TKO round unreported).

Sandy Noora, 123½, lost an upset unanimous decision to Rudy Patalinghug, 123, 10.

Joe Gaviola, 112¼, eked out a split duke over Res Cabuenas, 112¾, in the first 10.

Atty. Agustin Garcia, promoter.

(07-10-82)

▲ **CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY**—Newcomer Pepe Olano, 125, pounded out a unanimous verdict over Rey Villacorte, 124, 10.

Monico Galarpe, promoter.

(07-10-82)

▲ **METRO MANILA—Balic Sampaloc**—Edgar Palasan, 115, unanimously decisioned Oscar Gonzales, 114½, 10. V. Valdez, referee.

Salvador Darlo, 139, and Joel Palasan, 138, fought to a majority draw, 10.

Jun Santiago, 111, TKO'd Ely Bautista, 110½, at 2:45 of the fifth round in the first 10.

Alex Sy, 119, unanimously decisioned Robert San Juan, 118, six.

Four-rounders: Lito Vasquez, 135, won a majority nod over Ramon Pajardo, 135. Jun Lima, 110, won from Little Embana, 109, in the opener.

Rodolfo Inofre, promoter.

Carlos Dizon and Carlos Roman, the GAB's witnesses.

(07-11-82)

▲ **TAYUMAN, METRO MANILA—Suansing Sports Center**—Danilo Limpahan, 139, displayed his superior power in scoring a TKO victory over Romulo Oguimas, 130, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10. Tom Evaristo, referee.

Amado Castro, 122, won a unanimous nod from Rico Villorente, 121½, 10.

Eric Vildozola, 122, won from Cesar Gutierrez, 123, 10.

Domy Ursua, Jr., 111, won from Dan Palileo, 110, by disqualification in the third round of a scheduled six.

Bernardo Pacios, 114, battled to a split draw with Joey Degala, 113, six.

Four-rounders: Alejandro Tipon, 120, drew with Nakor Bulalaque, 121. Angelo Escober, 112, TKO'd Bizal Ty, 115, in the second round. Cer la Torre, 118, stopped Cesar Mallari, 119, in the third session of the opener.

Paciencia Hitosis, promoter.

Virgilio de los Reyes and Carlos Dizon, the GAB's witnesses.

(07-17-82)

▲ **DAVAO DEL NORTE**—Gar Atayde, 144, knocked out Mar Marin, 145, in the first round of a scheduled 10.

Julian Tan, Jr., promoter.

(07-17-82)

▲ **PARANAQUE—Elorde Sports Complex**—Cisco Ferrer, 144, was TKO'd by Mar Simabjon, 143, in the fifth round of a 10. Larry Nadayag, referee.

Rocky Pineda, 112, won a technical decision over Jun Robbier, also 112, in the ninth round of the semi-final ten.

The first 10 saw Max Espanola, 118, win over Pablo Pepito, 119.

Dry Dizon, 140, won a unanimous nod over Pedro Lipata, 138, eight.

Rod Mollen, 119¾, decisioned Loy Careon, 119¾, six.

Pablito Lazdla and Romero Santos, both 120, fought to a split draw, six.

Four-rounders: Robert Palaritt, 108, outscored Lou Marabe, Jr., 107. Tony Perdida, 105, decisioned Fer Cavanes, 108, in the opener.

Flash Elorde's Galorde Enterprises.

Nicanor Celebrando and Carlos Roman, the GAB's witnesses.

(07-17-82)

▲ **CAGAYAN JDE ORO CITY**—Ed Norcos, 115, dropped a unanimous verdict to Ben Ayudtud, also 115, 10.

Sonny Carupo, 130, was a unanimous winner over Flash Ursua, also 130, 10.

Florentino Uba, promoter.

(07-18-82)

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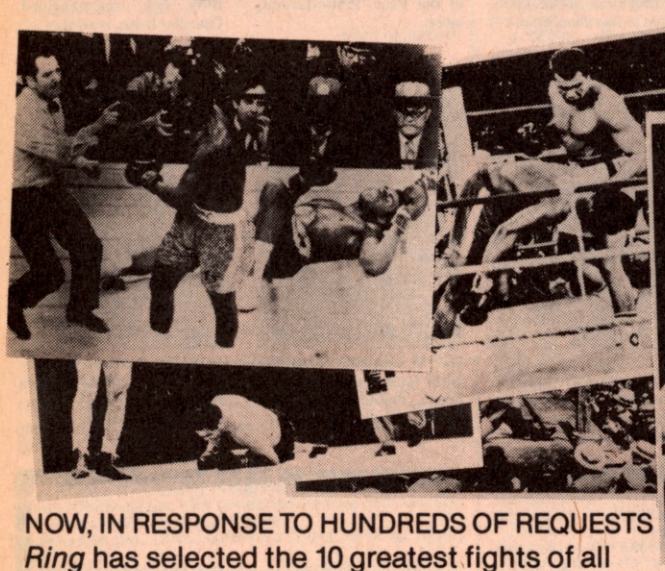

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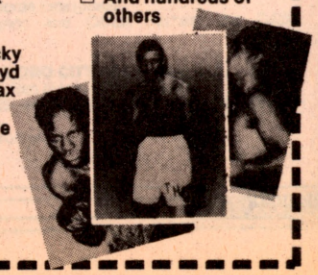

▲ **SANTIAGO, ISABELA**—Eddie Camero, 129½, earned a unanimous nod from Danny Canada, 130, 10.

Efren Bantilan, 113½, fought to a majority draw with Brigildo Canada, a veteran campaigner at 114, 10.

Efren Nazal, promoter.

(07-18-82)

▲ **QUEZON CITY—RESC Compound**—Lulu Villaverde, 126, took a unanimous decision from Geron Porras, 129, 10.

Amy Pacana, 128½, scored a fine knockout over ex-national champ Max (Boy) Toyogon, 133, in a scheduled 10. (Kayo round unreported).

Sandy Noora, 126, won from Albert Saxon, 128, by a technical decision, 10.

Edward Bucton, 114, unanimously whipped Boy Ruben, 114, eight.

Iral Arcilla Kid, 118, barely won from Romy Freo, 122, six.

Four-rounders: Alex Bulaong, 150, TKO'd Bobby Sauro, 150, in the second round. Rudy Aringo, 126, was a TKO victory from Centes Frencillo, 127, in round two. Alejandro Tipon, 118, stopped Naino Pascua, 118, in the second round in the opener.

Grego Garcia, promoter.

Voltaier Reverente and Carlos Dizon, the GAB's witnesses.

(07-25-82)

▲ **DAVAI CITY**—Rolando Aldemir, 136, lost an upset decision to Jun Escalera, also 136, 10.

Fred Guanzon, 109, scored a fine TKO win over Flash Escobar, 111, in the eighth round of a 10.

Lic Lancian, 121, tabbed a technical knockout over Tommy Bastida, 122, in the fifth of the first 10.

Julian Tan, Jr., promoter.

(07-24-82)

▲ **SOUTH COTOBATO**—Ed Norcos, 115, was awarded a majority decision over Lito de Pedro, also 115, 10. Joel Insular, 135, chalked up a TKO win over Alex Aballe, 134½, in the fourth round of a 10.

Rebe Lozada, promoter.

(07-25-82)

▲ **MANILA—L & M Gym**—Amado Cabato, 120, impressively knocked out Ed Alcala, also 120, in the first round of a 10. Allan Makitoki, 113, TKO'd Eufronio Payod, 116, in the third session of the semi-final 10.

Rocky Romy, 138½, won a unanimous nod over Fred Padilla, 139, in the six-round opener.

Severino Balubar, promoter.

(07-28-82)

▲ **MANILA—Bayside Night Club**—Fel Aporto, 119, defeated Edward Stevenson, 115, by a unanimous decision, 10. Larry Nadayag, referee.

Ben Estallo, 130, registered a TKO over Lito Pablo, 125, in the seventh round of a scheduled 10.

Ver Gaste, 127, unanimously decisioned Virgilio Berdeflor, 129, eight. Romy Santos, 121, won over Alex Sy, 121, by disqualification in the fourth round of a six.

Four-rounders: Kid Romero, 129, won from Catalino Rabanes, 129. Ernie de Asis, 135, TKO'd Rogelio Salo, 134, in the fourth and final round. Lou Marabe, Jr., 110, decisioned Jun Luna, Jr. in the opener.

Felimon Vasquez, promoter.

Voltaire Reverente, the GAB's witness.

(07-29-82)

▲ **TAYUMAN, METRO MANILA**—Lefty technician Ali Formentera, 117, chalked up a technical knockout over Nardo Calugay, also 117, in the seventh round of a 10.

The semi-final 10 saw Jun Bautista, 136, stop Pedro Guital, 134, in the ninth round.

Al Llanita, 124, halted Eric Vildozola, 123, in the sixth session of the first 10.

Rudy Grande, 119, TKO'd Edgar Estrabon, 117, in the second round.

Edel Geronimo, 113, won from Nelson Timbal, 111, six.

Four-rounders: Bert Nanopol, 124, unanimously won over Nel Piouinto, 124. Flash Grande, 113, outscroed Al Montillana, 113, in the opener.

Paciencia Hitosis, promoter.

Virgilio de los Reyes, the GAB's witness.

(07-30-82)

▲ **MUNTINLUPA, METRO MANILA**—Rising Ernie Mata, 117, earned a majority nod from veteran Berlin Olivetti, 118¼, 10.

Rene Sedayon, 126, won a unanimous duke from Charlie Carola, 126, 10.

Romeo Olivetti, 139¼, TKO'd Salvador Darlo, 137, in the second round of a 10.

Jun Bartolome, 140, decisioned Lito Vasquez, 145, in the six-round opener.

Salome Tolosa BHO, promoter.

Virgilio de los Reyes, the GAB's witness.

(07-31-82)

▲ **TAYTAY, RIZAL**—Fred Sta. Iglesia, 119½, looked impressive as he knocked out Tim Ontic, 117, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10. Danny Rodenas, referee.

Sergio Molabola, 113, fought to a split draw with Jun Lardradir, also 113, eight.

Joveno Bello, 118, unanimously decisioned Roberto San Juan, 117½, six.

Four-rounders: Tony Kid, 118, barely won from Rey Villaflores, 114½. Alejandro Tipon , 127, was awarded a technical decision over John Bismar, 124½, in the third round of the opener.

Ben Vinluan, promoter.

Carlos Roman, the GAB's witness.

(07-31-82)

▲ **MARIKINA, METRO MANILA—Valley Cockpit Arena**—Rod Sequenan, 132½, scored a technical knockout over Tomas Bernales, 132, in the fourth round of a 10. Vic. Valdez, referee.

Rolly Navarro, 118, unanimously decisioned Emilio Palacio, 119, 10.

Rolly Barce, 118½, TKO'd Teofilo Gonzales, 121, in the sixth round of an eight.

Armando Barzuela, 111, outscored Ernesto Robiso, 110, eight.

Four-rounders: Bernard Celestial, 126½, drew with Rudy Arinso, 126. Ruztom Aguilar, 108½, won from Godie Aloc, 107½. Juanito Pavilla, 121, knocked out Aki Caparuso, 118 ½, in the opener.

Grego Garcia, promoter.

Leonardo Trinidad and Carlos Dizon, the GAB's witnesses.

(07-31-82)

▲ **CAWAYAN, ISABELA**—Fel Jardenil, 119, unanimously decisioned Sammy Insular, also 119, 10.

Felixberto Jardenil, promoter.

(07-31-82)

▲ **CEBU CITY**—Fel Malatag, 123, won a technical decision from Efren Guinieta, also 123, 10.

Jun Simbajon, 115, tabbed a TKO over Gideon Bacus, 116¾, in the seventh round of a ten.

Jemuel Maguinsay, 110¾, dropped a majority nod to Ric Barimbad, also 110¾, 10.

Dodie "Boy" Penalosa, 109¼, earned a unanimous nod from German Ellana, 112, 10.

Erning Queroben, 127, stopped Piston Coronado, 127¼, in the seventh round of their 10.

Ric Tanza, 116¾, was a TKO winner from Celso Areglo, 114¾, in the sixth round of the first 10-rounder.

Rex Salud, promoter.

(07-31-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI

THAILAND

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Fast-rising Kaosai Galassy, the WBC's 10 ranked super flyweight at 115 ½, displayed his durability and power punching as he floored Mexican Adan Uribe Perez, 115, twice and knocked him out in the fourth round of a scheduled 10.

Kaosai, a sturdy southpaw, had Perez down in the second and fourth rounds—each time with his solid right hand shot. The Thai boosted his log to 13-1, including 12 knockouts. He will be a worthy challenger against Korean Soon-Chun Kwon, who holds the OPBF junior bantamweight throne.

Nivatt Laosuvanvatt, promoter.

(08-26-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thai lightweight champ Jenrub Muangsurin had failed to defend his crown for a very long time. Jenrub, 134, put his national throne on the line against Downthong Chuvatana, a perennial contender at 134, losing a lopsided decision in 10. Jenrub looked too slow and sluggish for the new titlist.

(08-02-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Rookie Samart Sakadum, 110, knocked out Thanukeow Singklongplakod, also 110, in the first round of a six.

(08-11-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—TV Channel 7 Ring**—Up-and-coming Suvan Silpaya, the TBC's fifth ranked junior bantie at 114, showed his strength in demolishing veteran Suriya Pratumvadee, 117, in the third round of a six.

(08-08-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thaveekoon Chorsuenanan, a more experienced junior feather at 126, found it easy to finish Lert Singsongphol, 124, in the fourth canto of a scheduled six.

(08-04-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Thongberm Lukmaturee, 114, dropped an upset decision to Jownaeranoi Jomkatha, 109, in six fast heats. Jomkatha utilized his faster left hand and smoother mobility all the way.

(08-03-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—TV Channel 7 Ring**—Thai featherweight champ Nugprachan Kiatkumchai, 129, eked out a split decision over Arcadej Singjomthong, 128, six.

(08-01-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Prospect Pharmeechai Sithpornpan, 110, returned from his campaign in Korea and lost an unexpected decision to unknown Samart Sakadum, 110, six. Samart had Pharmeechai on the deck for the mandatory eight count in round two. Thanks to this victory, Samart got ranked eighth in the 108-pound class by the TBC.

(07-28-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—TV Channel 7 Ring**—Pongpan Sawphayathai, the WBC's 10 ranked junior featherweight at 125, easily stopped Dejumnuen Singthanongsakdi, 130, in the fifth round. It was really a fight, because Dejumnuen, Pongpan's sparring partner, was reluctant to exchange solid blows with the hard hitter.

In a supporting six, unbeaten Petchngam Chuvatana, 113, battered Daoroj Kiatpetch, 114, onesidedly and stopped him in the sixth and final session. Chuvatan is the TBC's top fly contender.

(07-25-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Veerasak Wongprasert, 110, won a unanimous nod ever Karavek Petchsingha, 111, six.

(07-21-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thai junior featherweight champ Dejvarin Hollywood, 122, successfully kept his crown by taking a unanimous decision over ex-titlist Sakda Saksuree, also 122, in 10 gory frames. Sakda absorbed much punishment, and bled profusely from two cuts on the face. It was Hollywood's third defense of this national crown.

(07-19-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—TV Channel 7 Ring**—It was like a fight between Jim Corbett and Jim Jeffries. Former sparring partner Sungkud Saksuree, 128, won an upset decision from ex-Thai featherweight boss Kolnyuth Pornpanthumnu, 128, six. Sungkud, good at infighting, knew Kolnyuth's style very well, and piled up the points.

(07-18-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Suriya Pratumvadee returned from his activities in Korea and Japan, but his lantern jaw hadn't changed. Suriya, 110, was knocked out by Jownaeranoi Jomkatha, 111, in the fourth round of a six. Jomkatha, the TBC's third ranked junior flyweight, displayed his accurate punching and collected one more victim.

(07-15-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI

AUSTRALIA

NEW SOUTH WALES

▲ **AUBURN—RSL Club**—NSW State middleweight champion Con O'Connor, 161, outpointed veteran Eric King, 158¾, 10. King was subbing on a day's notice.

Bobby Williams, 108, outscored Richard Windell, 116¾, six.

Four-rounders: Tony Campbell, 150, outpointed Glen Norman, 147¾. Les Luxford, 139, outpointed Ron Brown, 141. Lou Williams, 134½, outscored Dean Thomas, 135½. Bernie Ellis, 133½, outpointed John Groves, 134½.

(08-13-82)

▲ **KINGSFORD—South Sidney Junior Leagues Club**—Mark Barnett, 150, outscored Manuel Trickilis, 153, eight.

Sparrow Freeman, 131, outpointed Lou Williams, 134, six.

Bobby Williams, 109, outscored Richard Windell, 119, five.

Four-rounders: Dinty Marlow, 150, and Pablo Cortez(AKA Prem Chand), 140, drew. Bernie Ellis, 136, outscored John Groves, 134.

(08-17-82)

▲ **MT. PRITCHARD—Community Club**—Peter Thompson, 116½, won the NSW State bantamweight crown by outpointing Wayne Mulholland, also 116½, 10. Wayne boxed well for four rounds, but then faded. It was a fast bout that drew a good shower from those at ringside. Mulholland still holds the Australian flyweight title.

Roger Henry, 137, outscored Roy Hughes, 131, eight.

Ducky Dennis, 115, and Bobby Williams, 111, drew, six.

Armstrong Waremaki, 126¾, outpointed Richard Windell, 118, four.

(08-18-82)

▲ **BOSSLEY PARK—Marconi Club**—Kelly Thompson, 152, retained his NSW State junior middle title by outpointing Jamie Lewis, 148¾, 10. A good fight that drew a shower.

Patrick Burns, 121½, outscored Jim Bowen, 127¾, six.

Glenn Hillier, 136¾, outpointed Bernie Ellis, 134½, six.

Les Luxford, 142¾, halted John Groves, 136, in the second round of a scheduled four.

Rocky Moroney, 156¾, outscored John Tolomeo, 164, three.

(08-20-82)

▲ **GOSFORD—Central Coast Leagues Club**—Australian junior middleweight champion Ken Salisbury unleashed the most devastating and sensational finish seen in years when he defended his crown against Dave Edwards in a scheduled 12.

It had been a good contest, with Salisbury leading on points coming into round six. Then came an accidental head clash, and Salisbury, was cut above the hairline. He immediately maneuvered Edwards across the ring and released a right hand that came from nowhere and smashed against the challenger's jaw.

Edwards went down in a heap and was counted out by referee Mick Dunningham.

Salisbury, who weighed 153, is now 21-0-1. Edwards weighed 153¼.

Six-rounders: Tommy Woods, 142¼, outpointed Bruce Noble, 152. Sparrow Freeman, 130, outscored John Groves, 136¾. Lou Williams, 137¾, and Ron Brown, 141, drew.

(08-25-82)

▲ **BELMONT—Sixteen-Foot Sailing Club**—Former Australian amateur champ and Commonwealth Gold Medalist Phil McElwaine, 169¾, outscored Eric King, 158¾, eight.

Mark McElwaine, 154¼, Phil's brother, outscored southpaw Tony Campbell, also 154¼, in the other eight-round bout.

Russell Sands, 151, stopped Punch Pevy, 143¼, on a cut eye in the fifth round of a scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Nel Maybury, 146½, outscored Mike Ryan, 143¼. Greg Casey, 146, outpointed Robert Fuller, 161.

(08-25-82)

▲ **GRIFFITH—Woodside Hall**—Billy Smith, 157, outpointed Gil McGrath, 152, 10.

Eight-rounders: Johnny (Lachie) Williams, 140, stopped Lou Williams, 134½, in round six. Reg Greedy, 170, outscored Robert Hall, 165. Jay Crowe, 126, halted Johnny Charles, 129, in round five.

(08-27-82)

▲ **KINGSFORD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club**—Clint Brown, 160¼, outpointed Steve Wonder, also 160¼, eight.

Shaun Gray, 157¼, and Mark Vallance, 146, had their scheduled six declared a tech draw in the first round due to a cut eye resulting from a head clash.

Four-rounders: Ron Brown, 140¼, outscored Mike Ryan, 146. Brett Beakin, 159, outpointed Rudy Darno, 189¼.

(08-31-82)

▲ **BROOKVALE—Manly-Warringah Leagues Club**—Tommy Woods, 143¼, outscored Lou Williams, 139, eight.

Benny Tabua, 161, and Mark Barnett, 150, drew, six.

Brett Beakin, 158¾, outpointed Gary Corbett, 161, five.

Sparrow Freeman, 132¼, outscored John Groves, 136¾, four.

Matchmaker—Bernie Hall.

(09-01-82)

▲ **DAPTO—Leagues Club**—Pat Leglise, 144½, won a technical decision over Anthony Naidu, 145½, Fiji, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10. An accidental head clash opened up a cut on Pat's right eyelid near the end of the fourth session.

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Vince Iacovelli, 155¼, outscored John Siriotis, 147¾, eight.
Ken Jana, 160¼, outpointed Tasa Dunn, 148¾, four.
Three-rounders: Mick Edwards, 140, outscored John Groves, 134½. Armstrong Waremaki, 127¼, outpointed Peter Sherwood, 127¾.
(09-03-82)

▲ **SMITHFIELD—RSL Club**—Phil McElwaine, 175¼, gained a clear points verdict over comebacking Garry Hubble, 177½, 10. The fight drew a shower from satisfied fans.
Disco George, 139, outpointed Lou Williams, 138¾, six.
Four-rounders: Mark McElwaine, 152, outscored Glen Baker, 150. John Stacey, 144½, outpointed Foxy Louis, 143¼. Steve King, 144½, outscored Mike Ryan, 143¼.
(09-03-82)

▲ **ORANGE**—Phil (Spider) Davis, 160, outpointed Steve Dennis, 164, 10.
Ducky Dennis, 112, outscored Bobby Williams, 111, eight.
Young Haumona, 203, outpointed Graham Bray, 185, six.
Greg Casey, 146, outscored Alan Clarke, 147, four.
Tommy James, 199, stopped Alf Bradley, 189, in the first round of their scheduled four.
(09-08-82)

QUEENSLAND

▲ **TOWNSVILLE**—Junior Thompson, 108, retained his Australian junior flyweight title by outpointing Bobby Williams, 106, 12. Referee Fred Barbagallo scored the contest 118-115. A fast and clever bout.
Joe Medlin, 147, and Skeeter Hooper, also 147, drew, four.
(08-30-82)

▲ **BRISBANE—Festival Hall**—Former USBA light heavyweight champion Murray Sutherland, 172½, won a unanimous decision over Australian multiple champ Tony Mundine, 175, 10.
Mundine looked his vicious, devastating, and sharp punching self in training. Then, in the fight, he showed nothing. No boxer could slip so far from one contest to the next, yet the exciting Mundine was so lax in his movements that the crowd gave him the slow handclap.
Sutherland decked Mundine near the end of the first round. No other knockdowns. Scoring: Alan Moore, 99-90; Eddie Francis, 99-94; Les Petty, 100-93. Referee Denzil Creed did not score.
No intention to take anything away from Sutherland, who boxed well and showed good defense—but Murray did not meet the real Tony Mundine.
Brian Janssen, 146, knocked out Dave Sarago, 149, in the eighth round after trailing on points. This was also scheduled for 10. Janssen is a good prospect, but he's inclined to take too many risks.
Alan Black, 172, stopped Gus Spina, also 172, on a cut eye in the fifth round of a scheduled eight.
Tom West, 171, outscored Abe Johnson, 180, six.
(09-06-82)

VICTORIA

▲ **MELBOURNE—Town Hall**—Graeme Brooke, 134½, one of the three best prospects in Australia (Brian Janssen and Pat Leglise are the other two), halted outclassed Suradej Klongajon, also 134½, Thailand, in the 10th and final round. Malcolm Bulner, referee. All three officials had the bout scored 90-76 in favor of Brooke after nine.
Hans Hefner, 127¾, outscored Grotti Peyote, 130, eight.
Phil Defina, 127¾, outpointed Johnny O'Connor, 121¼, six.
Three-rounders: Gordon Loader, 150, outpointed Steff Bagg, 150. Hercules Hazelman, 145½, and Dave Ramsden, 147¾, drew. Leonard Franks, 167½, and Don Rose, also 167½, drew.
(08-11-82)

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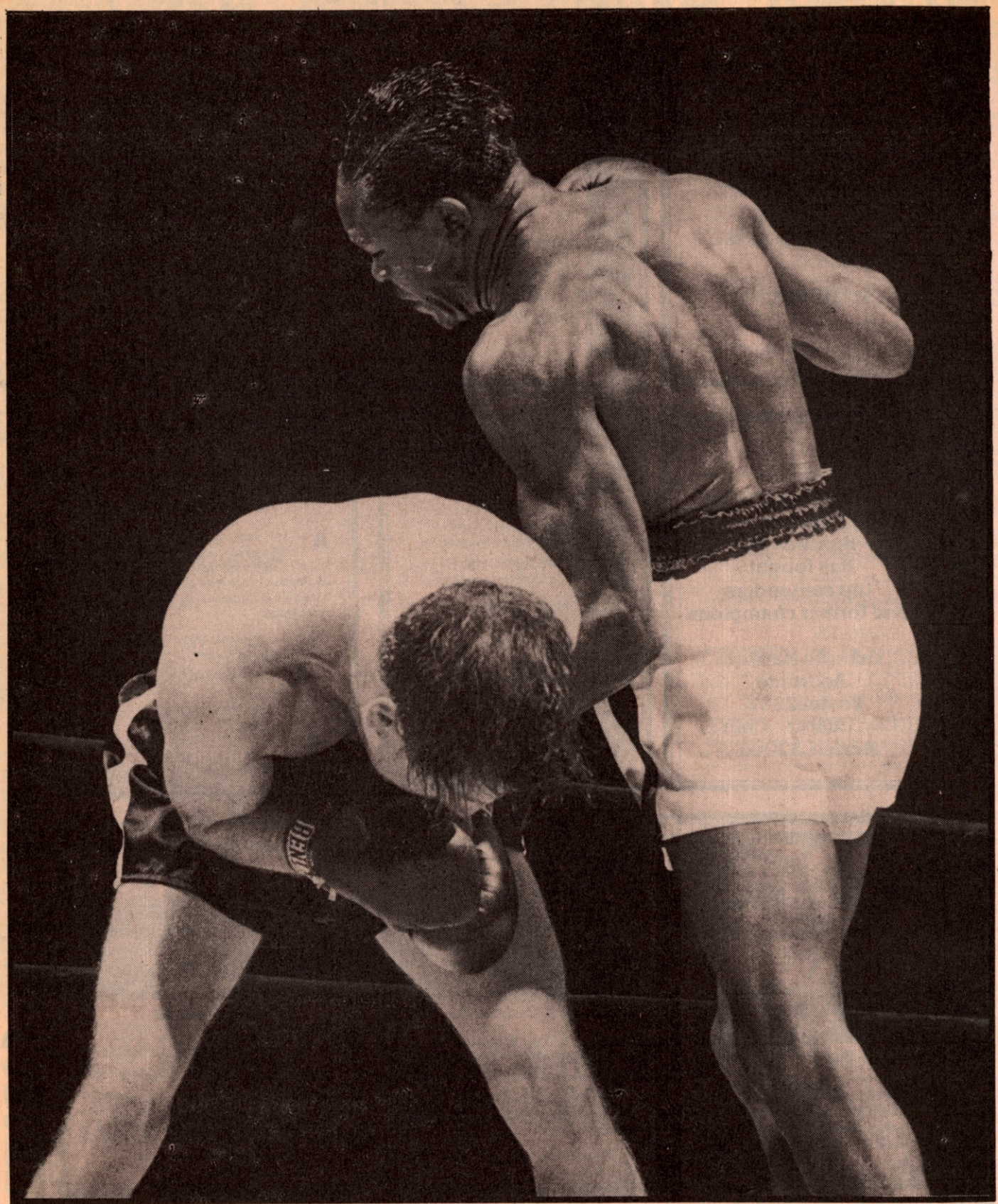

"Bolo"ed over. Kid Gavilan unleashes his lethal left to the chin of the challenger during their 15 rounder in Madison Square Garden.

BILLY GRAHAM PUNCHES OUT A LIVING

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IT WAS three weeks and one day away from the fight when Billy Graham drove out to Long Pond Inn to go into camp. When you are a prizefighter and thirty years old and married and have two small kids, you can't get into shape any more living at home. ¶ "You have too many distractions," Billy was saying, driving out. "My wife understands, but take like this morning. At seven-thirty the kids wake me. They wake me at eight-thirty. At nine-thirty, they wake me again. I said to Lorraine, 'Look, can't you keep these kids away from me? I gotta get my sleep.' She said, 'You slept enough, didn't you?' "

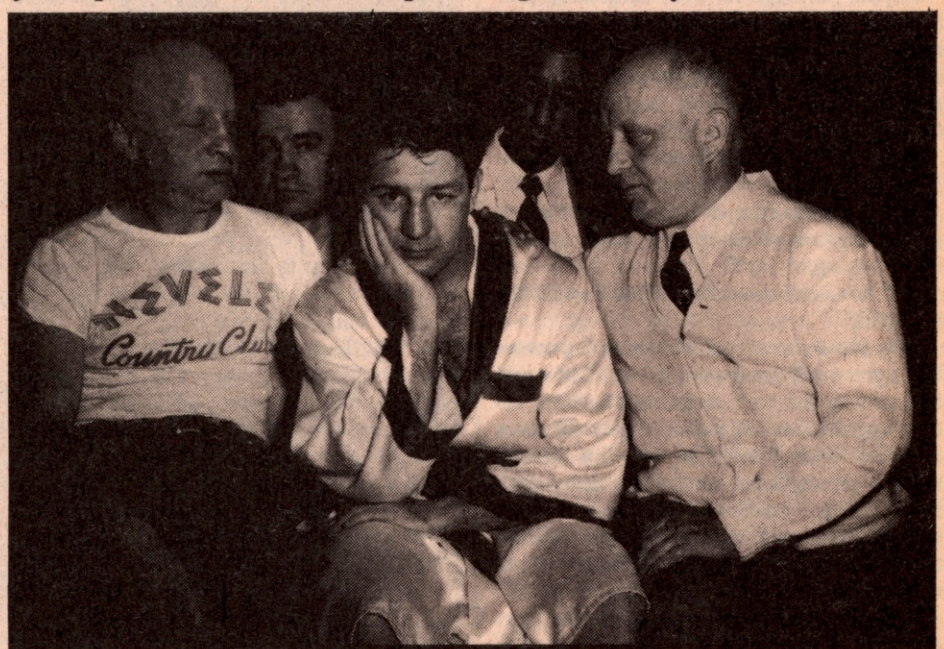
SO HE GOT UP AND DROVE LORRAINE TO to the supermarket to load her up with groceries for the three weeks. Then they drove over to Sunrise Highway to buy a red wagon for young Billy's third birthday, two days away, and at three o'clock, he left Long Island and drove to Manhattan and then across town and into the Lincoln Tunnel.

When you're a young fighter and make your first big paynight you buy a big yellow convertible. By the time you go into camp for your 118th fight in twelve years, you know it's a hard dollar and you're paying off the house in Springfield Gardens and you have the kids to think of, and so you drive a small sedan.

"With me it's a case of winning every fight now," he was saying, driving. "If you don't have the big punch—you know, the glamour—you have to win for your bargaining power. All you have is your record."

Billy's record, on pages 399 and 400 of *Nat Fleischer's Ring Record Book* with a picture taken 10 years ago, shows 99 wins going into this one, but only 25 by kayo, 8 draws, 10 losses, 8 of them of split decisions.

"A punch is something you're born with," he was saying. "Either you have it or you don't. I gave it a try. I thought punching the heavy bag would do it. In 1946 I knocked out Pat Scanlon in five. I knocked out Frankie Carto in nine and sent him to the hospital.



Forlorn Graham awaits decision of N.Y. commission chairman Bob Christenberry after the Giardello bout. With him are trainer Whitey Bimstein and manager Cohen.

When I fought Tony Pellone he just managed to keep his balance, and I had Ruby Kessler on the deck. The papers were starting to write I was becoming a puncher."

It was a gray afternoon and he was driving out Route 3. It is a wide, flat concrete highway with here and there a gas station or a roadside restaurant or a place that sells outdoor furniture and pottery.

"Then I boxed Tippy Larkin in the Garden, and I was looking to kayo him, too," Bill said. "He won it big. After that, I forgot

about the big punch."

After the Larkin fight they talked about it one day in Stillman's—Billy and Irving Cohen who manages him with Jack Reilly. Jack is the one who discovered him in the boys' clubs about fifteen years ago, and Irving does the front work.

"Yeah, I'll win," Billy said, giving a short laugh, "but will I get it?"

The question is what made this fight important. On December 19th, Billy Graham had boxed Joey Giardello, a middleweight out of Philadelphia, in the Garden, and when Johnny Addie had announced the decision there had been a near riot. The referee and one of the judges had given it to Giardello, and there was Billy walking up and down in the ring holding out his hands in appeal and the crowd booing and hollering.

A few minutes later Robert K. Christenberry, chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, and Dr. Clilan B. Powell, one of the two other commissioners, had changed the card of one of the judges, Joe Agnello, to give Billy the fight. The switch in decision had made headlines, and a week after Billy got into camp it was to make headlines again when a Supreme Court justice named Bernard Botein reversed Christenberry and Powell.

"You'll get it," Eddie McDonald said. "You'll get into great shape up here. Skipper will help you. Skipper!"

Skipper is a brown and white dog, part beagle. Whenever Eddie cannot think of anything else to do he calls the dog and he keeps at him until the dog yawns and makes a guttural sound in his throat that Eddie says is talking.

"Here, Skipper!" Eddie said. "Say hello to Billy. Say 'Mama.' "

The dog was sitting at Eddie's feet. He was just sitting there, looking up at Eddie and not doing a thing.

"This is a real smart dog," Eddie said. "He likes Bill."

Billy put away a steak and some vegetables and a green salad and a cup of tea. Eddie told him to take the back room, and he went up and lugged in his bag and then his road shoes and the black footlocker with his boxing things—gloves, headgear, white terry-cloth robe, long underwear, sweat shirts, windbreaker, and the gray-green Marine trousers he wears on the road. Then he went to the movies.

"You get older," he was saying the next morning, "and you find it takes about three weeks to get ready. The first couple of days I just like to rest—sleep long and eat good and walk."

On Saturday, two days after Billy got there, Irving Cohen and Jack Reilly sent up Frank Percoco, the trainer. Billy went on the road for the first time that morning with Walter Cartier, the middleweight who came up to train for a bout with Randy Turpin in England. In the afternoon Billy went into the gym for the first time.

The gym is a nice, clean place with knotty-pine planking on the walls and the ring set over by the windows that look down and out into the lake. The first dressing room off the showers is for the sparring partners, and the room beyond that if for the fighters; inside is a rubbing table with clean sheets always on it.

The first four days Billy just loosened up. He shadowboxed and did sit-ups on the mat and rolled on the medicine ball to get the weight off his middle. Then he would skip rope and punch the light bag. Frank Percoco left after the fourth day and Whitey Bimstein came up to take over, bringing Johnny Noel, a sparring partner, with him. Billy boxed.

"Billy," Irving said, in that soft way of his, "you're trying to put everybody away with two punches. When you try that, you tighten up, so let's get back to boxing. That's what you do best. You'll make money that way."

How much money do you make? In 1949, and always rated in the first half-dozen welterweights, you clear about $7,500. In 1950, you split two fights with Kid Gavilan and clear a little better than $10,000. In 1951, you make about the same, and in 1952 you have your best year and your end comes to about $20,000.

"Every once in a while," he was saying, "Lorraine talks about me giving it up. It's tough on a wife. At first there's some glamour to it. You go out and you're recognized, but you're keeping in shape so you can't go out a lot. She's alone—like now, for three weeks—and it's rough. So I tell her, 'Sure, I'll quit, but what else am I gonna do? Do you want to live on sixty a week? Let me work something out.' "

Greenwood Lake extends north across the line from New Jersey into New York State. The camp is on the highway that runs along the west shore of the lake, a long, low concrete building painted white with green trim, built between the highway and the lake where the shore drops down to the water. At the south end, the steps lead down from the parking space to the bar and dining room and kitchen under the gym and the dressing rooms and the rooms where the fighters sleep.

"Johnny Dee," Billy said to the bartender.

"Billy Graham," Johnny said. "How's Billy Graham?"

Johnny was behind the bar, leaning on it and talking to a customer. In the back of the dining room, Rollie LaStarza was sitting at the end of the table, eating with Nick Florio, who trains him, and with James J. Parker, the heavyweight out of Canada. Eddie McDonald, who owns the place with his wife, Catherine, and Ollie Cromwell, was standing there, a cigarette hanging out of his mouth, watching them eat their steaks and talk.

"How's Billy Graham? LaStarza said.

"Good," Billy said, shaking hands all the way around. "How are you?"

"He's in great shape," Eddie McDonald said. "He'll lick this guy, take it from me. Rollie will put lumps on Mr. Rex Layne. He'll play football with him."

"How long you been here?" Billy said, sitting down at the other end of the table.

"Five weeks," LaStarza said.

"When you leavin'?"

"Tomorrow morning. When's your fight?"

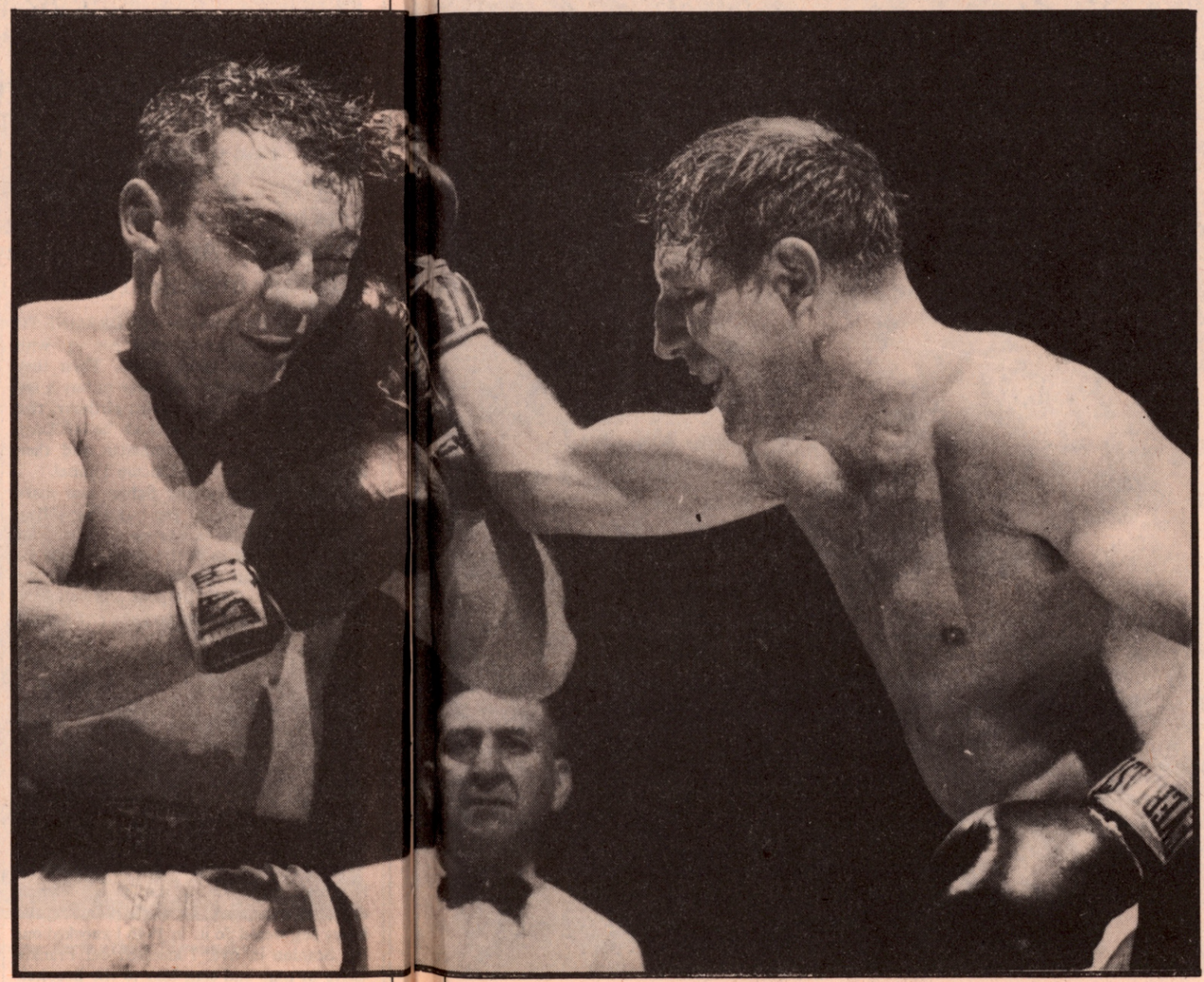
"Three weeks," Billy said.

There are always fighters coming and going through Long Pond Inn. On the next morning Rollie LaStarza would go into New York to beat Rex Layne in Madison Square Garden, and James J. Parker would knock out Jack Nelson in the semifinal. The following Friday, Paddy DeMarco, who trained here before leaving to finish up in Brooklyn, would loose to George Araujo in the Garden. Two weeks after that, Billy Graham would check out to go into the Garden against Joe Giardello, who held two decisions over him.

"And I tell you something else," Eddie McDonald said, still standing, the cigarette still hanging from his lips, the ash on it long now. "Mr. Bill Graham will give Mr. Giardello a real good lickin' this time. He'll win."

At first you go three rounds. After a while, you work it up to six. Irving Cohen earned and edge for Billy by arranging to have the fight go twelve rounds. Cohen figured Giardello is just a twenty-two-year-old kid who never went more than ten and Billy went fifteen twice with Gavilan and knows how to pace himself. Still, you never box more than six in the gym, and you build up your wind and your legs on the road.

Every morning at eight-thirty, Whitey would get Billy up, and Billy would wake Walter Cartier, and they'd go out on the road. Different fighters do it in different ways, but Billy and Walter would just start out from the camp, running easy along the left side of the concrete highway north and into the town of Greenwood Lake, then off to the right along the shore of the lake by the white cottages with the rowboats turned bottoms up on the lawns. Then they'd make the circuit back through the town again and down the highway to the camp, a distance of 3.3 miles.



Paddy Young absorbs two —his own and Graham's in '53 bout. Graham took unanimous decision.

When they'd come off the road they'd go to Billy's room. Whitey would bring up hot tea and lemon and they'd sit there with towels around their necks, sipping the tea and sweating and talking. Then Walter would go into his room to lie down and listen some disc jockey on the radio, and Billy would lie down on his bed and cool out and hear the radio through the wall.

"I used to think a training camp was wonderful," he said, lying there one morning. "The first time I ever went to one I was boxing Pat Scanlon and they sent me out to Ehsan's at Summit as a sparring partner for Dorsey Lay. It cost me nothing, and I thought it was great. It was new. I liked it, you know? It was like I used to read about as a kid, getting up and doing road work, eating with the other fighters."

Whitey came in while Billy was talking. Billy got up and started to undress, taking off the layers of sweat shirts and long underwear so Whitey could rub him down with alcohol.

"Gus Lesnevich was there," he said, "training for a fight in England. Bernie Reynolds was there, but you're not in a camp for pleasure. You got to drive yourself. People say you eat steak every day, but after a while it's not gonna taste so good. A camp is a place for work. A camp costs money."

The camp costs about seven hundred dollars to get ready for a main-event fight. It's ten dollars a day each for you and Whitey and the sparring partner, and you pay the sparring partner five dollars a round. All in all, with publicity, you've paid out about a thousand dollars by the time you climb into the ring.

"At first I'm glad to get here," Billy said. "I got quiet. I can sleep. The food is good. Then you start missing the wife and kids."

One of Billy's brothers, Jackie or Robbie, would drive up with Lorraine and the kids—little Billy and Ellen, who is two—on Sundays. They'd be there a couple of hours, watching Billy work in the gym. Then they'd leave and the rest of the time it would just be the running on the road every morning and the work, sweating, in the gym in the afternoon. Once, some of Billy's pals drove out — Ray O'Connell and Joe De Chara and George Papageorge and a couple of others — and they sat around and amused Billy, but the rest of the time he would just shoot a few games of pool with Ollie Cromwell or listen to Eddie McDonald argue fights or talk to the dog.

"Watch this, Billy," McDonald would say. "Watch Skipper. Skipper is a real smart dog."

There would be the same songs, time and again, on the jukebox, too. A guy and a gal would drop in for a drink at the bar, and the guy would plunk a coin into the jukebox, and out would come "Don't Let the Stars Get in Your Eyes" or "Blues in the Night" or "Glow Worm," over and over.

"Billy can go with any style," Whitey was saying one evening while the jukebox was going and Billy was out taking his walk with Walter Cartier. "Billy don't have to train a certain way for a certain style."

"That's right," Eddie McDonald said, sitting down next to Whitey.

"This fight depends on condition," Whitey said. "Billy's got to set the pace with more infighting. The other guy don't fight inside, and Billy is one of the best infighters in boxing today. The last couple of years he picked up them inside punches."

"Billy can take a punch," Eddie said.

"Nobody in boxing takes a punch like Billy Graham," Whitey said. "All the fights he's been in, and he's never even been staggered. All the tough fights he's in, and I never seen him blow his top."

"Billy will lick this guy," Eddie said. "Billy will lick him, but good. He will make mincemeat of Mr. Giardello."

Billy licked Kid Gavilan for the title, in the Garden on August 29, 1951, but he didn't get it. All the newspapers said he won it, and the writers called him "the uncrowned welterweight champion of the world." But the only title that counts, the only one you can make any money with, is the one you get in the ring.

In the gym, Whitey would stand on the ring apron while Billy was boxing, leaning on the ropes and never taking his eyes off Billy. Every now and then he'd holler at Billy, getting him to throw his punches in combinations and making him move in under Johnny Noel's leads to punch more to the body.

"Stick!" Whitey would call, just loud enough for Billy to hear. "Now inside. Under and over."

It all started when Billy was a kid, growing up around Second Avenue and Thirty-sixth Street, on New York's East Side. There was Robbie, a year and a half older than Billy, and then Billy and then Jackie, five years younger, and then Jimmy, who was three years younger than that.

Billy's old man ran a candy store between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth on Second, where he sold school notebooks and pencils and pens and a little sporting goods, too. At this time, Billy's old man was crazy about Jimmy McLarnin, and he gave Robbie and Billy boxing loves and they used to square off in the room in the back of the store. When prohibition went out, the candy store became a bar, and then it moved up to the corner of Thirty-sixth and Second, but Billy still calls it "the store."

When Billy was ten, his old man took him up to the Catholic Boys' Club on Thirty-seventh between First and Second. It was in an old tenement, and they'd ripped out the walls to make one big room on each floor. The top floor was the gym, with a mat for a ring and a big sandbag.

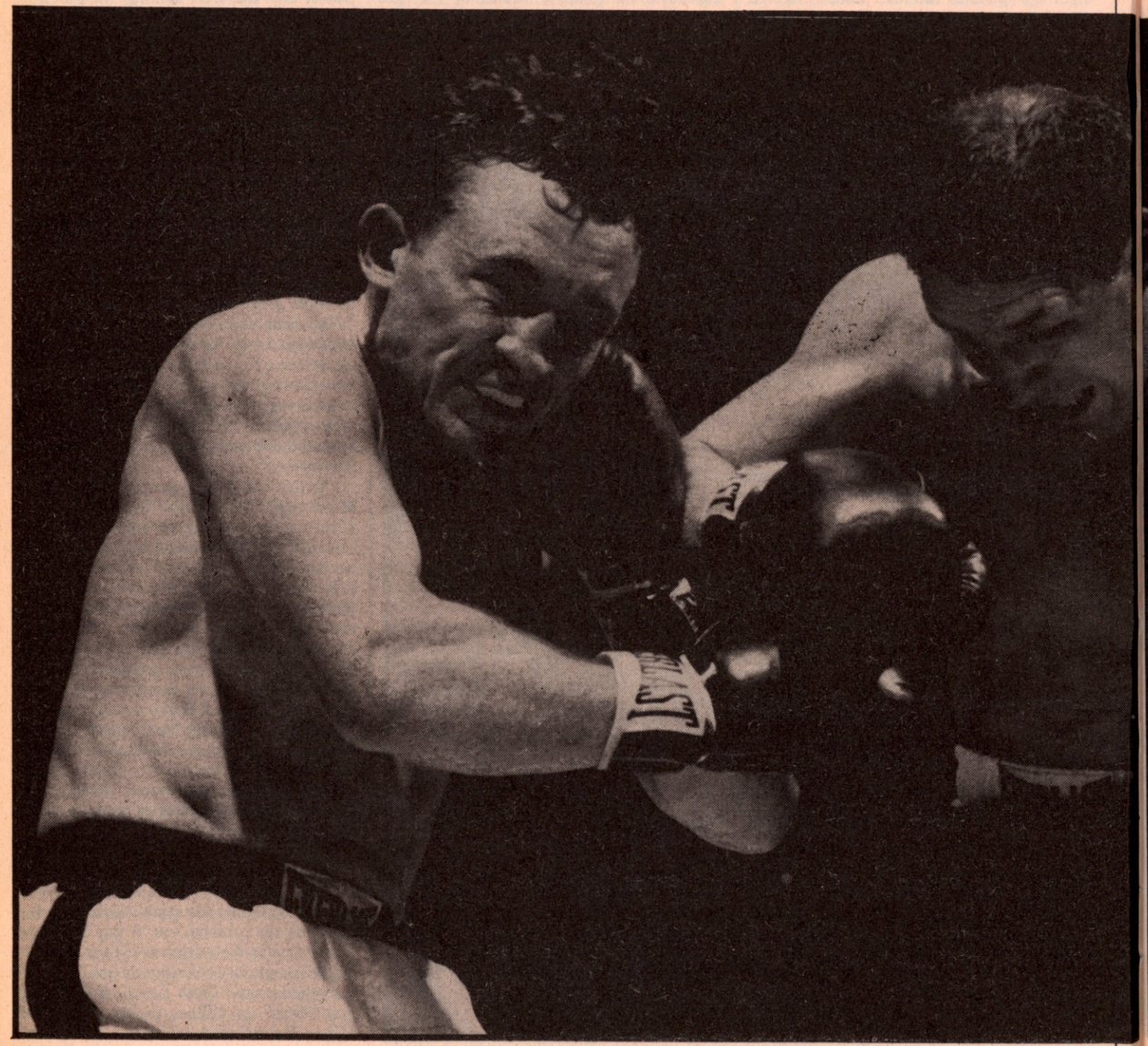
Every night Billy would go up there from 7:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. and Ed Tirnan — a nicely built guy with reddish hair and a little bit of a fighter's nose—would line the kids up and show them how to box. He was the one who taught Billy how to jab—straight out all the way from the shoulder, turning your fist down.

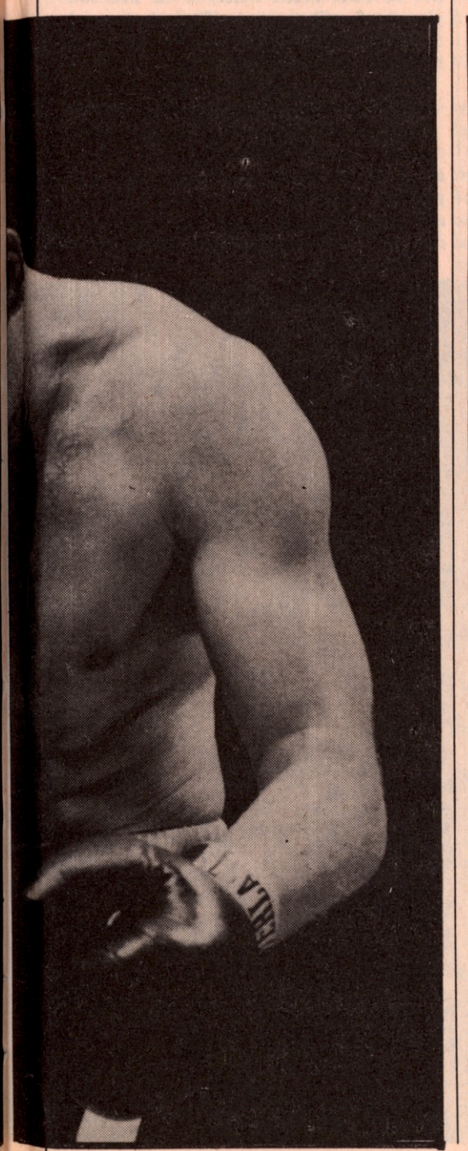
subway or hitch on a bus or a taxi or any car that stopped for a light."

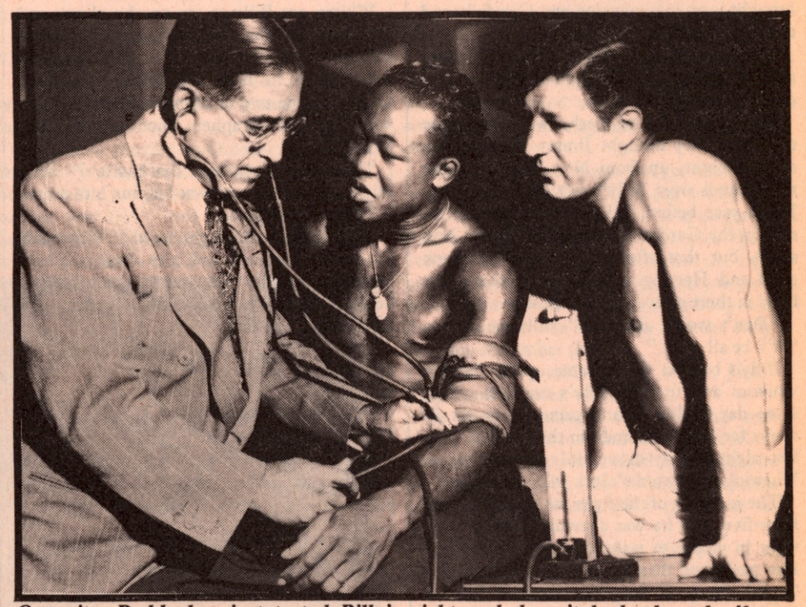
Billy was walking on the road, walking his breakfast down one morning. There is a place near the camp where a little trickle of a stream comes down the hillside to the highway, and Billy would never walk by it without bending down to get a drink. He'd say it was the best water he ever tasted.

"Popeye used to bust guys up just with his jab," Billy said. "He once told me, 'You can watch a bum, and he may do one thing you can use.' "

Any fighter has a little bit of every fighter he ever saw and admired. Even now, Billy







Opposite: Paddy has just tasted Billy's right and doesn't look pleased. Above: Graham watches as doctor checks Kid Gavilan before '51 rubber match.

Billy weighed sixty-five pounds and he started to box for the Catholic Boys' Club and later for the Madison Square Boys' Club. He got so good that the other clubs were trying to steer their best kids out of Billy's weight class. In about eighty of those fights Billy won all but two or three.

"School was murder," Billy was saying once. "I went two years to high school, but I couldn't get over that Latin. I didn't study at all. I had my mind set on being a fighter."

Popeye Woods was fighting out of Billy's neighborhood then. This was in the late thirties, and if Popeye had worked at it and lived right he might have been the middleweight champion of the world.

"I'd see him hanging around on the corner or at the Boys's Club," Billy was saying. "I'd say, 'What round you gonna knock him out in?' When he fought at one of the clubs in town I'd save up. A seat was 75 cents upstairs, and to get there I'd sneak on the

still loops a right hand once in a while instead of shooting it straight because when Billy was a small kid Max Baer had a looping right hand and it made Max the heavyweight champion of the world.

Four times Billy tried to get into the Golden Gloves and each time they turned him down for what they called a heart murmur. It got to be a joke around the neighborhood.

"What's your old man doin'?" the guys would say. "Payin' the doctors so you won't get your brains knocked out?"

Billy went to work as a stock boy, six days a week, at the Lord & Taylor department store in Manhattan. He worked at it for three months. It's the only job he ever had, because one Sunday Jack Reilly came to the family bar and made a suggestion. The way he had it figured, Billy could take out an application for the pros and, if he passed the physical, he could have five or six fights to see how he

liked it.

Billy passed. That was early in 1941. Then Jack took him to meet Irving Cohen. They went to a luncheonette and soda fountain at Twenty-ninth Street and Second Avenue.

"Irving came in and he was sitting there," Billy was saying, "and he had a pencil and a piece of paper. He wrote on the paper, and then he said, 'Willie Graham, William Graham, Bill Graham, Billy Graham. I like Billy Graham best. It'll look better in an ad."

You do a lot of talking in camp. There isn't much else to do, just working and sleeping and eating and talking, but the one thing Billy never talked about unless somebody else brought it up in a question was Giardello and the coming fight.

"Joey's a good fighter," he'd say. "I have nothing against him. It was the officials who couldn't see it."

For the last day of work, two days before the fight, they brought Jimmy Herring, the middleweight, up from New York to sneak right hands over Billy's left, like Giardello. Just a year before, Billy had outboxed Herring in the Garden and he could handle him again, but that afternoon Billy didn't look good and Herring was dropping that right hand in there almost every time he let it go.

"Don't worry about it," Billy said later. "It'll be all right."

Billy's brother Jackie came up for the last workout and to take Billy's car back. That same day Paddy Young came in to get in shape for Ernie Durando in the Garden. The last night, Paddy drove Billy to a movie in Warwick and by ten o'clock Billy was in bed.

The morning of the fight, he got up at nine forty-five, and he was shaving when Whitey went in at ten to wake him. Whitey helped him pack, and then Whitey and Johnny Dee loaded the stuff into the trunk of Johnny Dee's car.

Johnny drove, with Billy in the front on the outside and Whitey in the back along with Eddie McDonald and his wife. On the way down Whitey fell asleep, and when they got into town they dropped Eddie and his wife off at Eighth Avenue and Forty-eighth Street. Then Johnny drove around to the Athletic Commission offices on West Forty-seventh Street. By the time Billy got upstairs there was a crowd in the big room, with Giardello there in a light gray suit and sitting on a bench talking with Tony Ferrante, one of his managers, and a couple of others.

"Inside Billy," somebody said.

In the back room Dr. Alexander Schiff was examining a preliminary boy and he nodded to Billy, who walked over to where Dr. Vincent Nardiello, the ringside physician for most Garden fights, was waiting for him. Billy stripped to the waist and the doctor took his blood pressure and put the stethoscope on him and then examined his eyes and mouth.

"Very good," Nardiello said, finally. "Good luck to you."

For his first pro fight, four rounds with Connie Savoie in St. Nick's Arena on April 14, 1941, Billy personally sold $160 worth of tickets around the neighborhood. When Dr. Schiff had started to examine him that day, Billy was so nervous the doctor made him sit down for a while to relax. This day Billy was completely calm.

On the scales Giardello weighed 155½, and Billy 149¼; when Irving made the match he gave Giardello all the weight he wanted just to get the two extra rounds. Irving figured the weight wouldn't help Giardello much and the distance would help Billy.

Whitey got Billy to try on the gloves and then put on the black trunks with white stripes. Then the newspaper photographers asked Billy to take a fighting pose with Giardello; the two of them stood on a bench with the photographers shooting up from below.

"You watch them take that picture?" Billy said to Jack while Jack was helping him dress.

"Yeah," Jack said.

"Did you see his right hand?" Billy said. He made a fist and shook it to show Jack how nervous Giardello was, and that was the way he himself had been, weighing in twelve years ago for that first fight.

"Are you sure I can handle him?" he had asked Jack after looking at Savoie. "Look how tough he looks."

"He's the walk-in type," Jack told him. "You'll jab his head off."

Billy was so nervous he didn't wait to find out. He walked right out and started throwing punches and flattened Savoie in the first round.

Now, after the weigh-in with Gardiello, Johnny Dee drove Billy and Whitey up to the Shelton Hotel on Lexington Avenue and they checked into a room there. Then they went into the dining room, and Billy had his breakfast. It was one-thirty.

"Take good care of Mr. Graham," the headwaiter was telling the waiter. "He fights tonight."

"Orange juice," Billy said, "two soft-boiled eggs, and toast."

While Billy was eating, his mother came in, and he got up and kissed her, and she sat down. She is a little woman—four feet ten—with wide blue eyes, and she didn't say much; she just sat there and watched Billy until he finished eating and got up to go upstairs.

"Good luck, chicken," she said when he bent down to kiss her again, and then she turned to Whitey and say, "I hate to think of it. I don't even watch TV."

Billy bought the papers at the newstand in the lobby, and then went up to lie down on the bed. He went through the papers quickly, just reading the stories on the fight, spotting the odds. They all had him 8½ to 5.

"They all pick me," he said finally, putting the papers down. "I guess it proves I won the last one. If I didn't, why would they be picking me now?"

"You're right," Whitey said.

At three o'clock they walked to the Scribes Restaurant, not far from the hotel, where Billy knows the bartender. He put in his order—steak and green vegetable and tea—and then he and Whitey went for a long walk.

For that first fight, twelve years ago, he had the steak at home. Then after he took his walk he was thirsty. Jack and Irving had told him not to drink much water, so he had two glasses of milk instead. When he started throwing punches he almost lost everything he'd eaten.

"That shows you how much I knew," Billy said, telling it once. "I was a real green kid."

They walked back toward the hotel and then up fourteen blocks and across one block and then back. All the way along, people kept popping out of the crowd to wish him luck, and at one place a guy came out of a bar and dragged him in to meet a couple of others.

"It's television," Billy said when he came out. "The last couple of years everybody recognizes you."

"Excuse me," a man said, on the sidewalk. "I been thinking of you for three months."

He was a little man, in a camel's hair coat and wearing a gray fedora. He had a small blond mustache, the ends pulled to points.

"I was gonna write you," he said, holding the lapel of Billy's camel's hair. "When you throw that right hand, step in with the right foot. You gotta do that. You see, I used to fight. I fought Young Corbett, Frankie Neil. I fought champions. I was no good, but I had Young Corbett on the deck and not many did that. Like I said, when you throw the right, step in with it. I'd have written you, but you might never have read it. All right?"

"All right," Billy said, nodding.

"So good luck," the man said.

The guy was right, but what they don't understand is that if it's not part of you after all these years it never will be. Try to step in and you're in trouble, because it's against your style and there's no way to get out.

When they got back to the hotel it was six o'clock. Whitey went down to the lobby and left Billy alone, lying in the bed with his clothes off for an hour, and at seven he went up again and Billy got up. They were packing the ring clothes into Billy's bag when Robbie came in with another bag, and in it was the blue satin robe with the white trim and the name on the back in white. For his first four or five fights, Billy wore and old flannel, Indian-design bathrobe he used to wear around the house. Then Robbie and Jackie and Jimmy chipped in and they bought him this one. It meant a lot to Billy and he has had it ever since.

"I just spoke to Lorraine," Robbie said. "She's fine."

"I know," Billy said. "I was just talking with her on the phone. She's gonna stay with her mother."

They were married on October 2, 1948, in the rectory of St. Patrick's Cathedral. It was a beautiful day, warm and with the sun shining so that you didn't even need a topcoat. He had seen her the first time a year before when his brother Jackie and Pete Cassidy took him up to her folks' place across the street from the bar. She has blue eyes and long wavy brown hair, and that time she had on a pair of black lounging pajamas with gold on the jacket, and Billy tried to make a date.

"I've made plans to go to the hockey game in the Garden tonight," she said.

"What do you want to watch that nonsense for?" he said.

They used to go to dinner and to dance at the Century Room of the Commodore and the Cafe Rouge at the Statler. At first she couldn't understand how you can go into a ring and punch someone. A few times she watched it, and then she gave up.

It was eight o'clock when they got to the Garden and went into the Fiftieth Street entrance. They had the big dressing room on that side. After a while Jack and Irving came in, and they stood around Billy, who was sitting on the bench against the wall, talking the fight.

"There are three things you got to remember." Jack was telling Billy, and Irving was nodding. "On the break you have to get off fast, because he likes to sneak you there. Second, he's gonna look to throw the right hand over your jab, so after you jab you gotta weave. Third, you must go to his body, and slow him down. He don't like it in the body. Will you remember that?"

"Sure," Billy said. "Don't worry, Jack." Billy was the coolest of them all.

He always bandages and tapes his own hands. When Ferrante and one of Giardello's other seconds came in to watch it and got into an argument with the boxing inspector working Billy's room, Billy just went on taping.

"What's this, a new rule that two of us can't watch?" Ferrante said.

"Yeah," the other guy said, nodding toward the inspector, "and this guy just made it."

"Never mind," the inspector said. "One of you get out."

"If this okay?" Billy said, showing Ferrante the left hand.

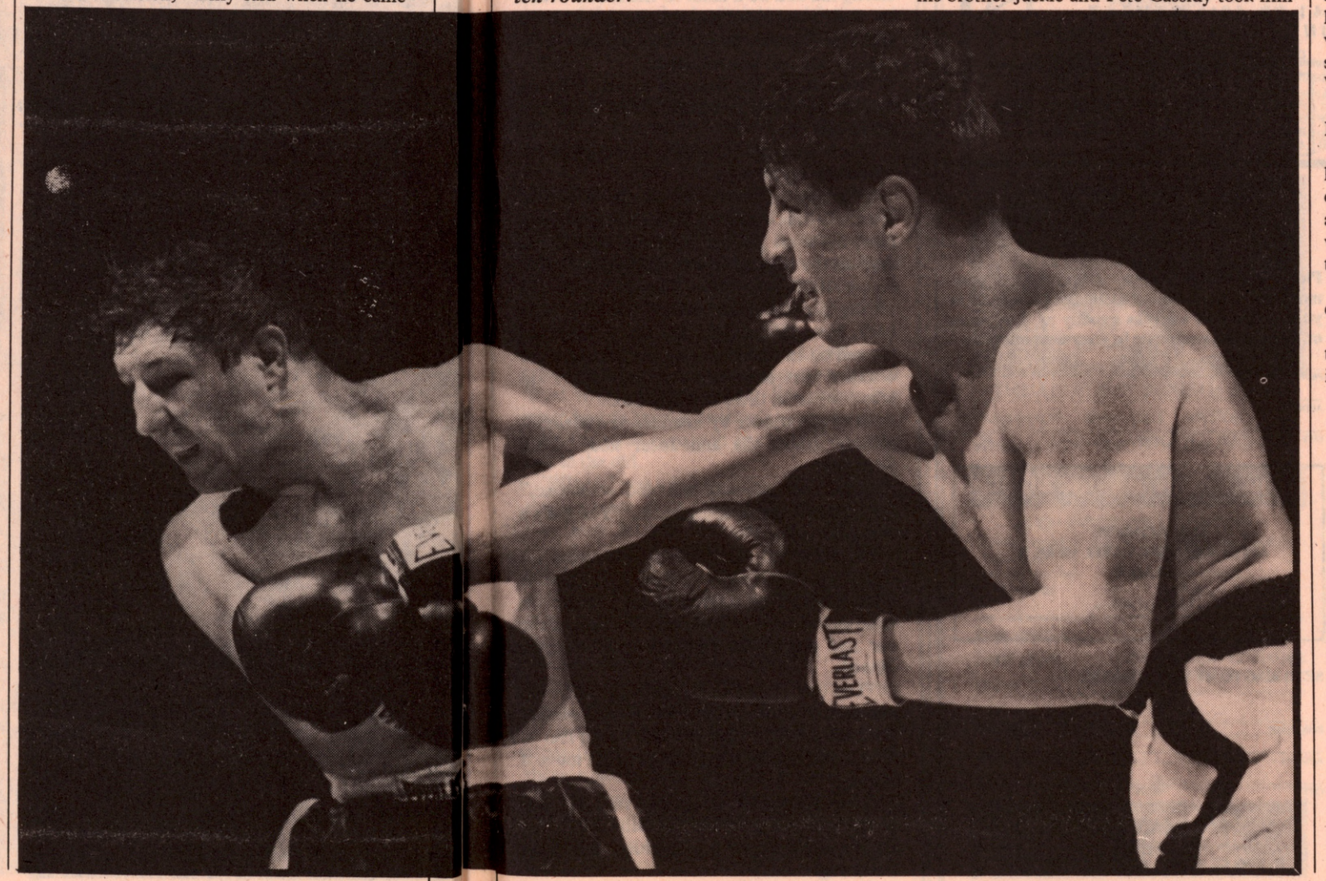
"Okay," Ferrante said.

He was as cool as that going out. "The Star-Spangled Banner" caught him just starting down the aisle, and he stood there at ease.

"You're a little nervous," he had explained once at Stillman's gym, sitting on one of the benches behind the ring, "but not afraid. You know you can smother the other guy's leads and handle anything he can do. You're just a little nervous about fighting your best fight."

It was the best house in the Garden in a year, and you could feel it when Billy got into the ring. The wrangle over the last fight made it a natural rematch, and then Giardello said in the papers he was going to knock Billy out.

Joey started out like he meant it. Billy stuck out the left, and Giardello dropped the right over it, and a shout went up. He did it again,



Giardello nails Graham with a right in their still-argued-about ten-rounder.

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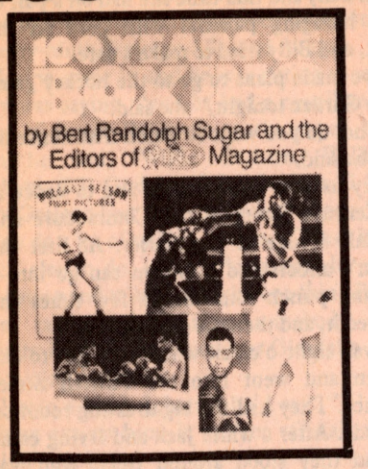

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and then Billy tried to weave under as they planned and his nose banged into Giardello's head, and when he came up, there was the cut, right across the bridge, and the blood coming out of it and smearing on his nose and cheeks.

Blood always looks bad to the crowd, and when Billy lost the first two rounds they probably thought he was in for it. In the corner, Whitey did a real good job, closing the cut, while Irving and Freddie Brown, who was the other corner man, kept talking.

"Stop fighting this guy and box him," they kept telling Billy. "Get you jab moving and back him up with it and then move inside."

From the third round on, Billy started forcing it. He'd jab real stiff, turn in behind it to make Giardello miss the right, and then he'd bang to the body. By the middle of the fight it was a pro working on a kid.

"Young fighters don't hold their class," Billy said once, "because you have to build up to it. Over the years you build up your stamina, and you go ten rounds over and over and you learn pace."

Sure, Giardello made a fight of it. He's a strong kid and he'd land. In the fourth round he shifted to his left and caught Billy with a right-hand uppercut, and when he came on to take the tenth it was still close.

"Now forget the first ten rounds," Irving said to Billy in the corner. "You must win these next two."

"Sure, Irving," Billy said, looking at him. "Don't worry about it."

Billy just turned it on in the last two. Giardello was swinging instead of punching now, his arms pulling his body after them. And all the time Billy was fighting well, still on a straight line, making Giardello miss and hitting him inside and then rocking his head back. Now he could do the things they had worked on in camp because the pace and the distance were too much for Giardello, a kid who was just in there now on heart.

"And the winner by unanimous decision," Johnny Addie, the announcer said, "Billy Graham!"

"Don't let anybody tell you otherwise," Billy said in the dressing room. "The kid's a real good fighter."

Dr. Nardiello put five stitches across his nose. Billy just lay down on the rubbing table with a couple of towels doubled under his head and the doctor trimmed the edges of the cut and put in the thread and Billy never moved.

"You don't need an anesthetic," Billy was explaining to them later. "You're still worked up from the fight, and you don't even feel it. You didn't see me move, did you? I'd move if it hurt."

"How Billy came down that stretch," one of the sportswriters said, as Billy was lying there and the doctor was stitching him, "like a thoroughbred."

With the newspapermen asking questions and the guys coming in to shake his hand, it was an hour before he got out of the Garden. Then Robbie drove him down to his dad's place, where there was a big mob and some of them had overflowed to the street.

He was standing there on the sidewalk. They were shaking his hand and clapping him on the back when Lorraine came out. He threw his arms around her and kissed her and together they walked into the crowded, smoky bar. When he came in, they let out a cheer.

"These," his brother Robbie said, "are his fans. These are the guys who bought the tickets for the four-rounders and the six-rounders and the eight rounds at the Broadway and the Ridgewood and the St. Nick's, and they've been with him ever since. These are the most important guys in the world."

He and Lorraine didn't get back to the hotel until five-thirty that morning, and around noon he and Irving went over to the Garden and picked up the check for $9,400. You take out the dough for the training camp and pay Whitey and take out the third for Irving and Jack and it leaves you about half. Three weeks later, if the nose heals all right and Irving can make another match, you take off again for camp.

After fourteen years of it, and 126 fights in which he was never once off his feet, Billy Graham retired. His skills had waned, and as he put it, he had become bored and disenchanted. A diminishing number, who still remember him, think of him as "The Uncrowned Champ," but I will always remember him as the professional, the honest workman who, more than the champions with their great gifts, represented the rest of us. That was why I wrote about him.

Now, their four children grown into adulthood, he and his wife Lorraine live in West Islip, on Long Island. For twenty-five years he has been a distiller's representative, with the same approach to this calling as he had to the old.

"When I was a fighter," he said, "I wanted to give them their money's worth, whether they were for me or against me, and today they don't put the effort in. No matter what I did, I put the effort in, or I wouldn't feel right about it. Today, when I get an order for a case, it makes me feel good. It spurs me, because I'm earning my way."

"But don't you ever miss it," I said, meaning the boxing, "ever wish you were young and back in it again?"

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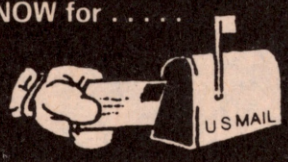

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HOMECOMING IN THE SLAMMER

FOR TWO ROUNDS A BROOKLYN HEAVYweight named Kevin Issac shuffled, shrugged, feinted and circled warily while huge Stan Ward of Sacramento fixed him with a beady glare of waiting.

"Come on!" yelled a fan at ringside as the bell rang for the third round. "I've only got twenty years!"

Number 125734 was back in the slammer today, and he got a standing ovation. Up to September 29, 1971, No. 125734 was Don King, now perhaps the most widely known alumnus of the Marion Correctional Institution. Returning to alma mater where he did four years for manslaughter, the least diffident promoter in boxing presented another round in his "United States Championship Tournament" for the edification of his former classmates and the entertainment of the American Broadcasting Company's viewing audience. "King's back," read one placard held high in the bleachers. "We told you so." Another struck a note of resignation: "Some dudes ya can't chase away with a club. Welcome back, Don King."

The former resident in Room 10, Cellblock 6, stepped into the ring wearing a gold-encrusted jacket and waistcoat, brown pants with a crease that could draw blood, a frilled white evening shirt and fanwing bow tie. His Afro haircut quivered with pride.

"I look around and see many familiar faces," he told the crowd of 1,400. "I am one of you." They cheered. "It is with mixed emotions that I am coming back to what was a trauma in my life. I am happy and proud to be able to bring back some entertainment for you because you have been part of my life." They yelled. "Wherever I have gone outside, I have never tried to hide Marion C.I. I never forgot No. 125734." That was for openers. When he went on to tell them they must "deal with the pragmatic thing realistically," they howled.

He introduced the prison chaplain, Father Fred Furey, and got mostly cheers; Pete Perini, the superintendent, who was warmly booed; his own daughter and son, Debbie and Carl, who were politely received; Joe Louis, who brought down the house. There were boos for Walter Hampton, head of the parole board, but Don reminded them: "That's the dude that sprung me."

Back at his "Alma Mater" Don King trades places with his old "headmaster."

Gesturing toward a microphone at ringside, he presented "The Mouth of Boxing—Howard Cosell." Up went placards: "Finally, Howard is where he belongs," and "Howard got in—will he get out?"

It was a homecoming to warm every cockle this side of Sing Sing.

Photographers were waiting when the returning prodigal strode through the big gate at the end of Victory Road. "I used to mow that grass," he said, pointing. Sure of his way, he walked to Cellblock 6 with the superintendent. Pete Perini was a linebacker at Ohio State, played some pro football with the Cleveland Browns and Chicago Bears and came to this post in 1967, the year Don King matriculated, fresh from command of the numbers racket in Cleveland.

"And I have to believe Don has done better," said Irving Rudd of the promoter's staff, "because he's out and Pete is still inside."

Residents recognized King as he passed. They exchanged greetings. At the door of his old quarters he spoke to the present occupant: "You're making this room famous." As he entered with the warden, the occupant, Obie Brooks, stepped out. Brooks said he was doing ten to life for murder, too. He said he had five years in, with two to go before he could apply for parole. "Did it happen in a fight?" he was asked, for it was in a street fight that King killed a man.

"During an armed robbery," Obie said.

The warden and the graduate walked together down the quarter-mile corridor to the gym. "Don didn't serve time," Perini has said. "Time served him."

Cordiality has been rampant here for days. When King arrived, the Mayor of Marion gave him the key to the city. "Mr. Mayor," Don said, "when I was here before, nobody gave a key to anything."

Members of the press were frisked courteously on arrival and given a mimeographed sheet of do's and don'ts. "Keep track of your valuable equipment," came ahead of "do leave all weapons (knives) and medication outside the main stockade." Inside they met an old friend, Peter Rademacher, the only man who ever fought for the heavyweight championship of the world as an amateur. That was twenty years ago and Floyd Patterson dropped him seven times. Rademacher, now an Akron businessman, refereed the Isaac-Ward bout. Some of the fights were good, some funny. Mike Dokes, who lost flashily to Cuba's Teofilo Stevenson when Dokes was a flashy amateur, was in with an oval personage named Charley Jordan. Charley is known as "Big Tuna" but he is built more like an angry blowfish. Ignoring his billowing belly, Dokes aimed for his bobbing head and opened a cut near an eye. The doctor seized the opportunity to stop it, but not before Vic Ziegel of the *New York Post* had spoken: "This fight belongs here."

"Nevertheless," said Ed Schuyler of the Associated Press, one who survived the street gangs and pickpockets at last fall's Muhammad Ali-Ken Norton affair. "Nevertheless, the security is better than in Yankee Stadium, and there's a better class of people."

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Born, January 1, 1922, New York City, N.Y. Weight, 154 lbs. Height, 5 ft. 7 in. Managed by Irving Cohen, Jack Hurley.

	1945		
Mar.	9—Billy Arnold, New York	KO	3
Apr.	17—Solomon Stewart, Washington	KO	4
May	25—Al Davis, New York	KO	4
June	29—Freddie Cochrane, New York	KO	10
Aug.	24—Freddie Cochrane, New York	KO	10
Sept.	28—Harold Green, New York	KO	3
	1946		
Jan.	18—Sonny Horne, New York	W	10
Mar.	29—Marty Servo, New York	KO	2
Sept.	27—Tony Zale, New York	KO by	6
	(For World Middleweight Title)		
	1947		
June	10—Eddie Finazzo, Memphis	KO	1
June	16—Jerry Fiorello, Toledo	KO	5
July	16—Tony Zale, Chicago	KO	6
	(Won World Middleweight Title)		
	1948		
Apr.	5—Sonny Horne, Washington, D.C.	W	10
June	10—Tony Zale, Newark	KO by	3
	(Lost World Middleweight Title)		
Oct.	10—Dom Youvella, Jersey City	Exh.	5
	1949		
June	21—Bobby Claus, Wilmington	KO	2
July	18—Joey Agosta, W. Springfield	KO	2
Sept.	14—Charley Fusari, New York	KO	10
Dec.	6—Sonny Horne, Cleveland	W	10
	1950		
Mar.	6—Joe Curcio, Miami	KO	1
Mar.	31—Tony Janiro, New York	D	10
Apr.	24—Danny Williams, New Haven	KO	3
May	9—Vinnie Cidone, Milwaukee	KO	3
May	16—Henry Brimm, Buffalo	KO	4
Oct.	4—Gene Burton, Chicago	KO	7
Oct.	16—Pete Mead, Milwaukee	KO	3
Oct.	27—Tony Janiro, New York	W	10
Nov.	27—Honey Johnson, Philadelphia	KO	4
	1951		
Mar.	19—Reuben Jones, Miami	KO	3
May	21—Johnny Greco, Montreal	KO	3
June	18—Freddy Lott, Baltimore	KO	5
July	10—Cecil Hudson, Kansas City	KO	3
Aug.	6—Chuck Hunter, Boston	W disq.	2
Sept.	19—Tony Janiro, Detroit	KO	10
	1952		
Feb.	18—Eddie O'Neill, Louisville	KO	4
Mar.	27—Roy Wouters, Minneapolis	KO	1
Apr.	16—Ray Robinson, Chicago	KO by	3
	(For World Middleweight Title)		
Sept.	17—Chuck Davey, Chicago	L	10

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Born Thomas Rocco Barbella on New York's lower East Side on New Year's Day in 1922 . . . Height: 5″7½. . Father boxed professionally under the name Fighting Nick Bob. . . Spent almost half of the first 19 years of his life in reform schools and prisons. . . Began ring career as an amateur in 1941. Won the Metropolitan AAU welterweight title and turned pro in the summer of 1942. . . Slam-bang, aggressive, clubbing style made him a fan favorite. . . Managed by Irving Cohen and trained by Whitey Bimstein. . . Knocked out Billy Arnold in three rounds in Madison Square Garden on March 9, 1945 in stunning upset. . . Welterweights were willing to face Rock because he was short for a middleweight and only weighed about 154 pounds. A bad mistake. . . Halted Freddie (Red) Cochrane twice in the 10th round and ended welter champion Marty Servo's career by injuring his nose en route to a second round kayo. . . Faced world middleweight champion Tony Zale in a thrilling title fight in Yankee Stadium on September 27, 1946. Dropped Zale early, but was kayoed by a body shot in the sixth round. . . Suspended by the New York State Athletic Commission for having failed to report a bribe offer for a fight that did not go through due to a claimed injury. . . Won the title with a sensational come-from-behind stoppage of Zale at 2:10 of the sixth round in Chicago Stadium on July 16,1947. . . Lost his "killer instinct," and the crown in a rubber match with Zale at Ruppert Stadium in Newark on June 10, 1948, being knocked out in round three. . . Was 2-0-1 in three-bout series with Tony Janiro during 1950-51. . . Decked Sugar Ray Robinson with overhand right in Chicago Stadium title bout on April 16, 1952, but was kayoed in 1:53 on the third. . . Lost 10-round decision to Chuck Davey in last pro fight later that year. . . Became a TV personality playing Martha Raye's boyfriend on the comedienne's variety show. . His autobiography, Somebody Up There Likes Me, was made into movie with Paul Newman as the Rock. . . He and wife, Norma, will celebrate 40th wedding anniversary on August 10,1983. . . Overall record: 67-10-6, 52 knockouts.

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